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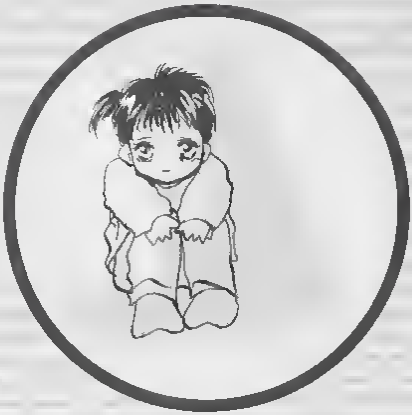
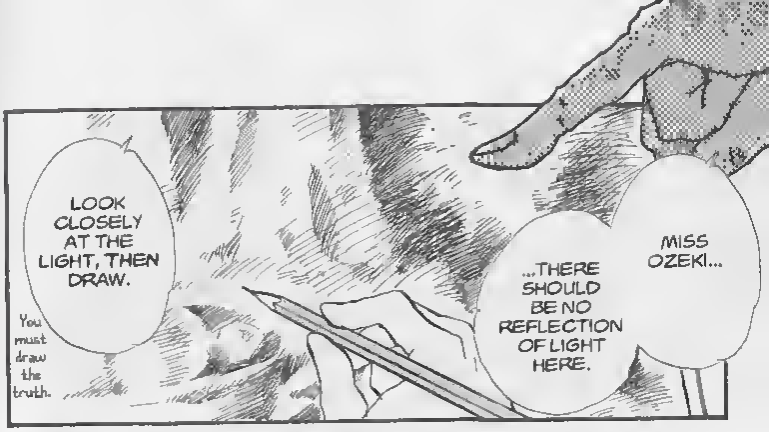


THERE
WERE
ALWAYS
FIRES.

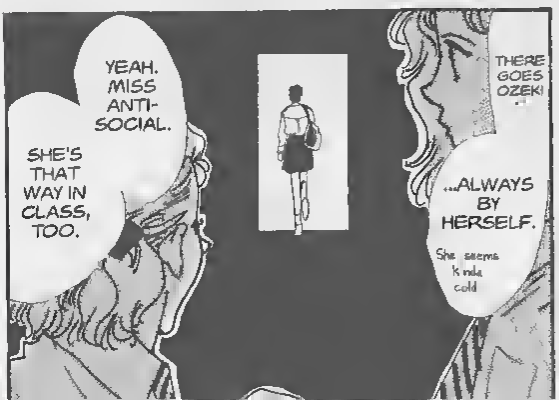
THE NEIGHBORHOOD ALWAYS HAD FIRES
WEEOO
WEEOO
WEEOO
WEEOO
EVER SINCE I WAS A LITTLE KID...

THAT'S HOW IT WAS.
NO MATTER WHERE I MOVED...

THAT IT COULD HAVE BEEN MY FAULT.
I NEVER THOUGHT FOR A MOMENT.


LOOK CLOSELY AT THE LIGHT, THEN DRAW.
You must draw the truth.
MISS OZEKI...
...THERE SHOULD BE NO REFLECTION OF LIGHT HERE.

BUT THERE IS A FLAME THERE.
KLIK KLIK
OKAY.
KRK
..BE SURE TO SEND IN YOUR APPLICATIONS.
THAT'S RIGHT. HE CAN'T SEE IT
THAT'S ALL FOR TODAY.
THOSE PLANNING TO GO TO OUR ART CLUB SUMMER CAMP...


YEAH. MISS ANTI-SOCIAL.
SHE'S THAT WAY IN CLASS, TOO.
THERE GOES OZEKI
...ALWAYS BY HERSELF.
She seems kinda cold

EXCUSE ME
HEY!
So where did you want to go?

GRN
GRN
WHEN THE FLAMES DRAW NEAR...
I KNOW.
NEXT STOP, CHUO TRAIN STATION.
ATION
DCCT
I'VE NEVER BEEN FAR FROM FLAMES.
TNKA TNKA
I'VE ALWAYS FELT THEM CLOSE BY.
EEEE!
KWI!!
WHAT?
HEY!
RRRN
RRRN

AAAAAA
THE BUS FLIPPED OVER!
ALL THOSE PEOPLE--!
EEEE!
SHRIIIII
AAAA
HELP US!
POOM
THE GAS IGNITED!
RUN!
GET AWAY!
HEY-- FIRE!

WH
PH
FSSS
MR. AMANO... DID YOU JUST SEE THAT?
SEE WHAT?
FASTER!
HURRY!
COULD IT HAVE BEEN THAT GIRL--THE ONE WITH THE SHORT HAIR?
THIS WAY!
THE FIRE'S GONE!
GET THEM OUT OF THERE!
NOW!
HURRY!
CALL AN AMBU-LANCE!

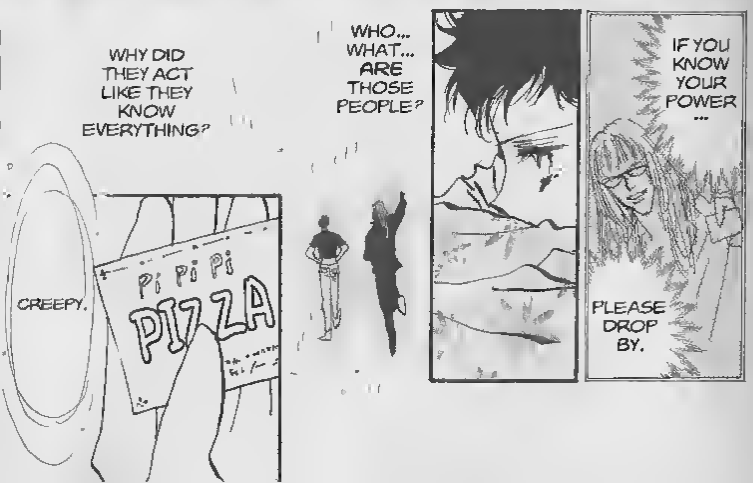
IT'S A MIRACLE
WOW
WE MADE IT JUST IN TIME.
FOOMP
YAA!
WAA!
GO! RUN!
IS EVERY-ONE OUT?
GET AWAY FROM THE BUS!
DID I DO SOME-THING?
WAS IT ME?
BABOOM
HOO!
Oh, my!
JUST A MOMENT
PARDON ME, MISS

HUH?
IF YOU KNOW YOUR POWER...
PLEASE DROP BY
MISS
THE FIRE WILL BE FINE.
HE'LL PUT IT OUT.
HUP!
FWOOOOOOOOSH

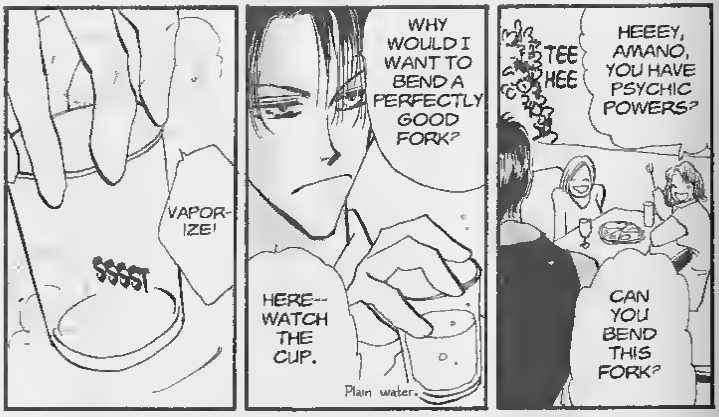
I STOOD IN FRONT OF A BULLY'S HOUSE...
AND I CURSED HIM.
WHEN I WAS 12...
Make sure you stay in bed!
WHENEVER I DO ANYTHING RELATED TO FIRE, I GET A RASH...
ALL OVER MY BODY.
I GOT A RASH.
APPEARED AN IMAGE OF FIRE.
IN MY HEAD...
MOST OF THE FAMILY DIED.
I BROKE OUT IN A FEVER AND A RASH, THEN...
I PASSED OUT
LIKE THE IMAGE...
THE HOUSE ERUPTED IN FLAMES.

I DON'T KNOW HOW, BUT...
I KILLED THEM.
I DID THAT.
THAT'S WHAT I BELIEVE.

SOME-WHERE INSIDE ME IS A TERRIBLE POWER..
AND IT'S AN INFERNO.


WHY DID THEY ACT LIKE THEY KNOW EVERYTHING?
WHO... WHAT... ARE THOSE PEOPLE?
IF YOU KNOW YOUR POWER ...
PLEASE DROP BY.
CREEPY.
Pi Pi Pi
PIZZA

Yokozuna is the highest rank in sumo, ozeki is the second highest -PD


VAPOR-IZE!
SSSST
WHY WOULD I WANT TO BEND A PERFECTLY GOOD FORK?
HERE-- WATCH THE CUP.
Plain water.
TEE HEE
HEEEY, AMANO, YOU HAVE PSYCHIC POWERS?
CAN YOU BEND THIS FORK?

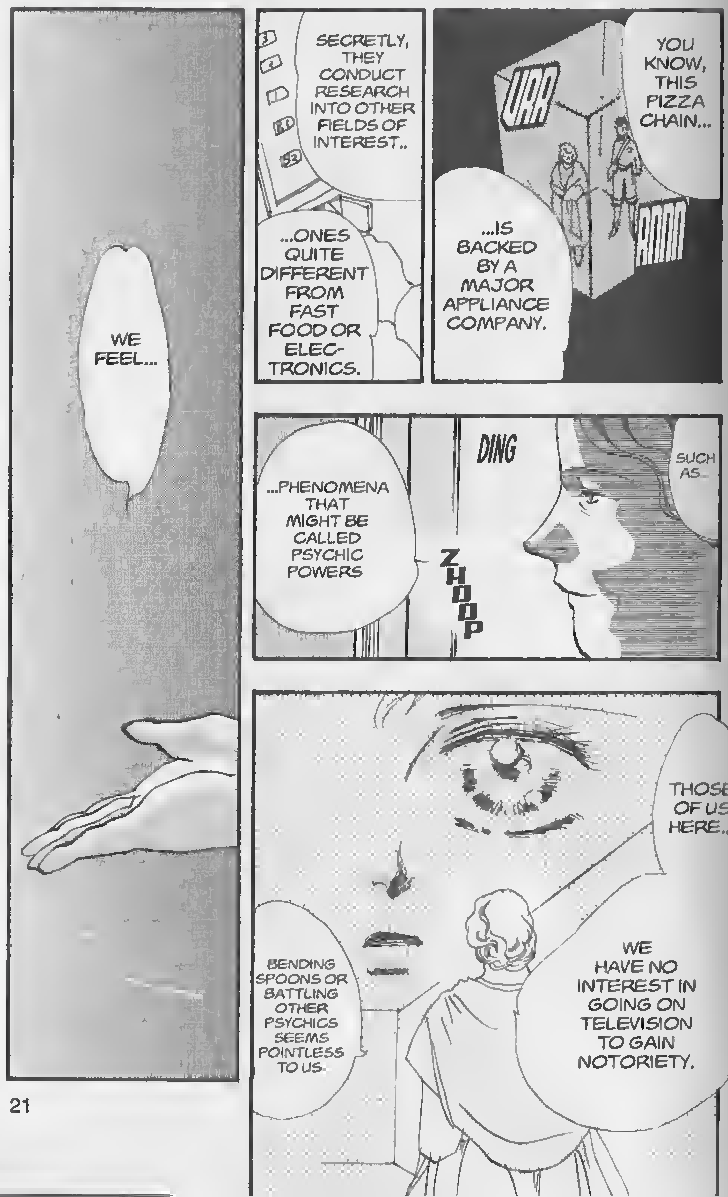
I JUST CHANGED THE STATE OF THE WATER.
HOW'D YOU OO THAT?
WHAT AN AMAZING MAGIC TRICK!
OOO! WOW!
OH! IT'S EMPTY!

YOU.
YOU'RE FIRE, RIGHT?
THE WATER...
IT WASN'T A TRICK!

AH!
I'M GOING TO DROWN!
OW! HOT!

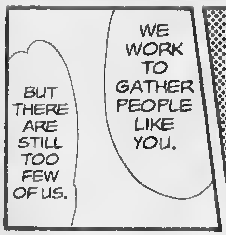
AH!
What's wrong?
HEEEY, DO SOME MORE TRICKS!
What else can you do?
WHAT ...?
THIS PERSON ...
IS THE SAME AS ME!

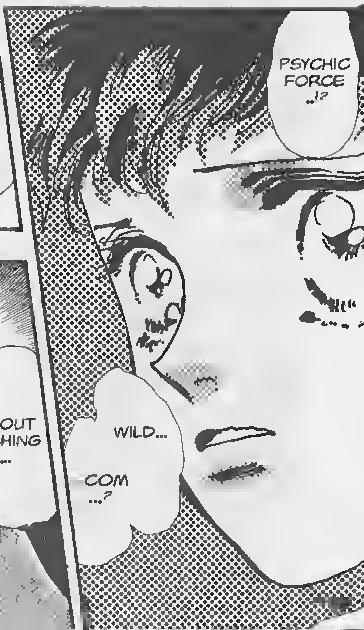
THE RAIN AFTER THE ACCIDENT...
THAT WAS YOUR DOING?
YEAH.
I CAN MAKE WATER DO ANYTHING I WANT, KID.
BUT HOW CAN HE POSSIBLY DO THAT!?
POOSH
For example...
DROWN KUROSU!
GOOO-GAAAY GAAAGS EEGUNG!
Okay, that's enough!
HUH? I DIDN'T SAY ANYTHING ABOUT A JOB...
BOSS, THIS IS THE PART-TIMER I TOLD YOU ABOUT.
MISS OZEKI, ALLOW ME TO INTRODUCE YOU TO THE MANAGER
DING
UM, I CAN'T TAKE A PART-TIME JOB...
PLEASE, COME THIS WAY
THAT ISN'T WHY I'M HERE--
KUROSU'S TOLD ME EVERYTHING ABOUT YOU.
I'VE BEEN LOOKING FORWARD TO MEETING YOU.
MY, MY.
NICE TO MEET YOU.


WE FEEL...
SECRETLY, THEY CONDUCT RESEARCH INTO OTHER FIELDS OF INTEREST..
...ONES QUITE DIFFERENT FROM FAST FOOD OR ELEC-TRONICS.
YOU KNOW, THIS PIZZA CHAIN...
URP
RRRR
...IS BACKED BY A MAJOR APPLIANCE COMPANY.
...PHENOMENA THAT MIGHT BE CALLED PSYCHIC POWERS
DING
ZHOOP
SUCH AS...
THOSE OF US HERE...
WE HAVE NO INTEREST IN GOING ON TELEVISION TO GAIN NOTORIETY.
BENDING SPOONS OR BATTLING OTHER PSYCHICS SEEMS POINTLESS TO US.

SUPERNATURAL POWERS
PSYCHIC FORCE
WILD
COM
...IF YOU HAVE A POWER, YOU SHOULD USE IT.

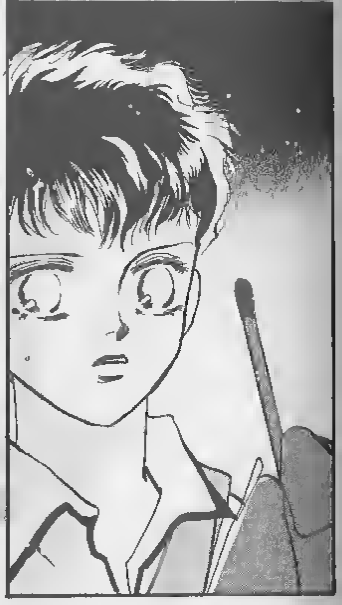
I'VE HEARD YOU USE FIRE.


BUT THERE ARE STILL TOO FEW OF US.
WE WORK TO GATHER PEOPLE LIKE YOU.

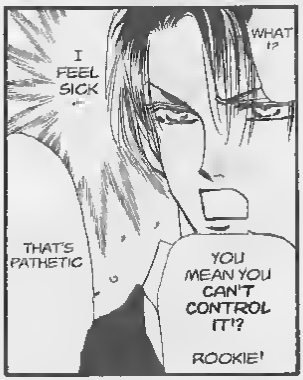

PSYCHIC FORCE ..!?
WILD... COM ...?

...TRY TO LIGHT IT.
WITHOUT TOUCHING IT...

I CAN'T DO THAT.
I...
I CAN'T.



WHOA!
FWUMP
Pizza oven


I FEEL SICK
WHAT!?
THAT'S PATHETIC
YOU MEAN YOU CAN'T CONTROL IT!?
ROOKIE!

NOT HIM AGAIN!
I DIDN'T DO ANYTHING
THIS GUY REALLY BUGS ME...

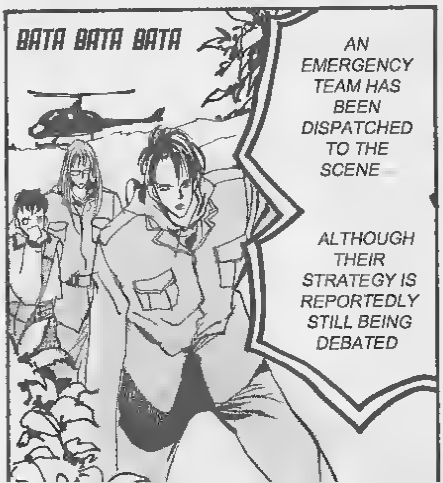
HEY, OZEKI, WHADJA DO?
FIRE JUST SHOT OUT OF THE OVEN.

...SEEMS TO BE BASED ON A FALSE ASSUMPTION.
Yes..?
UM... MOST OF WHAT YOU'VE BEEN SAYING...

AND IF I DID, I'D WANT TO LOSE THEM.
I DON'T HAVE ANY POWERS.
I DON'T WANT THIS CRAP!
IF YOU CAN'T ESCAPE FROM IT~ YOU MIGHT AS WELL LEARN TO CONTROL IT.
YOU'RE A BONE-HEAD!
MY!
BUT WHAT IS NORMAL?
I WANT TO BE NORMAL.
I AM A PSYCHIC GENIUS.
YEAH, BUT...
YOU CAME TO TERMS WITH IT QUICKLY, DIDN'T YOU?
...NOT A FREAK.

BOSS!
I MEAN.. LEADER!
THERE'S AN ACCIDENT ON THE HIGHWAY-- SHOULD WE DEPLOY?
OH, IVE HURT PEOPLE, KID
I COULD PROBABLY TAKE OVER THE WORLD!
IF I WANTED TO GO TO THE WRONG SIDE--
WHAT ARE THESE PEOPLE BRAGGING ABOUT?
YOU'VE NEVER HURT ANYONE.
IT'S EASY FOR YOU TO ACCEPT IT.
STOMP STOMP
WE'LL GO, TOO!
PIZZA
WILL DO.
GO WITH AMANO!
KUROSU!
HUH?
YOU GO, TOO, MISS OZEKI.

AN ENORMOUS WALL OF ROCK HAS COLLAPSED ONTO THE HIGHWAY


BATA BATA BATA
AN EMERGENCY TEAM HAS BEEN DISPATCHED TO THE SCENE
ALTHOUGH THEIR STRATEGY IS REPORTEDLY STILL BEING DEBATED

WEEOOO
WEEOOO
NAA NAA
A NUMBER OF VEHICLES APPEAR TO HAVE BEEN STRUCK
IT IS STILL UNKNOWN IF THERE ARE ANY SURVIVORS--
HEY!

IF A POWER EXISTS, IT SHOULD BE USED. YES?
DATA DATA DATA
OUR EXISTENCE ISN'T PUBLICLY KNOWN.
WAA WAA
OVER HERE!
BUT WE'RE DEPLOYED TO DISASTERS AND ACCIDENTS LIKE THIS.
...THEY'RE ALIVE.
I CAN FEEL THEIR HEAT.
THEY'VE MANAGED TO CRAWL INTO THE CREVICES.
KUROSU, THERE ARE SURVIVORS.
THREE CARS.
HEY.
THE CARS--THEY'RE TOO HOT.
DON'T WAIT TOO LONG OR THEY'RE GONNA BLOW.
He bakes a mean pizza.
THAT IS OUR STRONG-MAN. CALL HIM HERC.
NICE TO MEET YOU.
HUH !?
THIS FELLOW'S A HUMAN THERMO-GRAPH.
Hi.
WE CALL HIM THERMO.

YOU CAN
YOU DID IT ON THE BUS.
WHAT DO YOU MEAN?
I CAN'T DO SOME-THING LIKE THAT!
HUH!?
MISS OZEKI
...CAN YOU SUPPRESS THE FIRE FROM HERE?
I WANT YOU TO BLOCK THE EXPLO-SIONS.
WHEN I TRY TO DO SOMETHING I...
I MEAN...
BUT I DIDN'T DO IT BECAUSE I THOUGHT I COULD!
WHAT'S YOUR PLAN, MR. AMANO?
THERE'S SOMETHING I WANT TO TRY.
IF YOU'RE NOT GONNA HELP--
DROP DEAD!
OH, QUIT BABBLING!
LIKE THE FIRE WHEN I WAS 12...
THOSE PEOPLE WILL...

I SAW THIS ON TV THE OTHER DAY.
WATCH, MISS OZEKI.
YOU ENVISION IT IN THE RIGHT SIDE OF YOUR BRAIN.
WITHOUT TOUCHING THE PEOPLE...
...THE WATER WILL CUT METAL.
GIVE THE WATER FOCUS.
SHARPEN IT.
COME ON.
SHARPEN.
BECOME A LINE.
SHARPEN.

GO!
AGAIN!
RRRRRR
RIIIK
SL

IMAGINE IT, MISS OZEKI!
SEE IT!
NO.
SOME-ONE WILL DIE.
I'M AFRAID
OKAY, NOW IT'S MY TURN.
GOOD LUCK, HERC!
SNAP
OZEKI— SUPPRESS THE FLAMES!
I can't do it
IT'S COLLAPS-ING!
RRRMMM
AGH!
WHAT'S THAT?
LOOK!
THEY'RE ALIVE!

IT'S A MIRACLE!
YAY!
WOO HOO!
FEEOOO FEEOOO
THERE ARE FIVE SURVIVORS! MEDICAL CREWS ARE RUSHING TO AID THEM!
Boo
88
M
I'M AFRAID!
DID WE SAVE ALL OF 'EM, I WONDER?
WHOA! OH!
YUP, WE JUST MADE IT.
YOU SEE ...
..FOR A LITTLE WHILE AFTER HE USES HIS POWERS ..
...PARTS OF HIS BODY STOP WORKING.
MY LEG ...
WELL, WHICH IS IT, AMANO? YOUR EYE OR YOUR LEG?
NH!
MY EYE ...

ME?
WELL...AS A MATTER OF FACT, I DON'T HAVE ANY POWERS.
...AND YOU?
WHAT CAN YOU DO?
Oof! I just hope I won't have to carry you like I do him
I'D LIKE YOU TO USE THEM.
MISS OZEKI.
IN TIME YOU'LL BE ABLE TO USE YOUR POWERS, TOO.
HEY, MR. JAJIMA!
...WE DON'T NEED ANY FIRE-FIGHTERS.
WITH JUST ONE OF ME..
OH
IT'S YOU PEOPLE.
YOU'RE ALL FREAKS.
EGO-TISTICAL BRATS.

But what can you do wiped out like this?
I SUPPOSE
SO THIS IS THE SORT OF WORK WE DO.
WHAT DO YOU NEED THEM FOR?
YOU GOT ME, RIGHT?
HE HAS NO LOVE FOR US...
BUT HE UNDERSTANDS US.
MR. JAJIMA KNOWS ALL ABOUT US.
I DON'T WANT TO.
WILD COM COULD USE YOU.
YOU MAY WANT TO ESCAPE
...BUT YOU CAN'T.
I JUST ...
I JUST WANT TO BE A PLAIN, NORMAL PERSON.
I'M AFRAID OF FIRE.
I WANT NOTHING TO DO WITH IT.

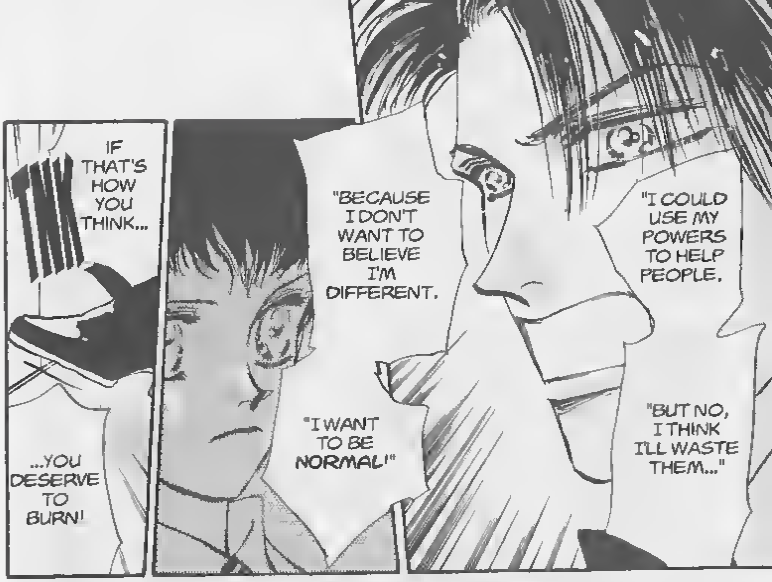
AT FIRST IT WAS AGONY.
EVERY TIME, I THOUGHT I WOULD DIE.
MY MOTHER WAS ALWAYS TRYING TO COMMIT SUICIDE.
SO SHE DRAGGED ME INTO THE WATER A LOT.
I WELCOMED THE WATER.
BUT AFTER ENOUGH TIMES, IT FINALLY HIT ME--
WATER WAS NEVER GOING TO KILL ME.
THE WATER INSIDE ME...
AND THE WATER OUTSIDE... IT WAS THE SAME.

ISN'T IT THAT WAY FOR YOU?
NOW, WHEN I'M NEAR WATER, I FEEL SAFE.
IT'S MY ALLY.
I'M NOT LIKE YOU.
FIRE IS NOT MY ALLY.
NOT AT ALL.
AND WHY YOU'RE HERE.
IF YOU CAN EMBRACE THAT, COME TO US.
WHAT YOU ARE...
SURELY YOU KNOW, MISS OZEKI.

I WISH YOU WOULD DRAW WITH YOUR FULL TALENT.
MISS OZEKI.
YOU KNOW ...
AND WHY YOU'RE HERE.
WHAT YOU ARE...
THIS ISN'T THE BEST YOU CAN DO.
I'M NOT SAYING YOU'RE SLOPPY. BUT...
Nicely done
IS THAT SO?
I THOUGHT I WAS.
AMANO, SLICING THROUGH THAT BOULDER ...
IT WAS ASTOUNDING
IN THAT MOMENT ...
WAS THERE REALLY SOMETHING I COULD HAVE DONE?
SUPPRESS THE FLAMES!
OZEKI!
WHAT IS MY "BEST"?
HOW MUCH WOULD IT REQUIRE?
...WHAT YOUR BEST IS LIKE.
I'D LIKE TO SEE...

She's doing the smart thing, coming here
I THINK THERE'S A DIFFERENT SORT OF POWER THERE.
THAT GIRL ...
PERHAPS SHE CAN DO SOMETHING OTHER THAN START FIRES
Pi Pi Pi PIZZA
USING YOUR POWER FOR A CAUSE...
I'VE NEVER EVEN THOUGHT ABOUT IT.
MAN, THE RIGHT HALF OF MY BODY IS STILL FUNKY.
IF SHE WON'T PUT HER POWERS TO GOOD USE, WE DON'T NEED HER.
Break time!
UH... I DON'T KNOW.
WHAT DO YOU THINK IT STANDS FOR?
HEY, YOU KNOW THE 'COM' IN "WILD COM."
NAH, IT'S NATURAL REPULSION.
SHE BOTHERS YOU, DOESN'T SHE, MR. AMANO?
MR. AMANO, PHONE.
Okey-dokey
I'M THINKING IT'S EITHER "COMPUTER" OR "COMPANY."
WATER AND FIRE
PERHAPS YOU SEE YOUR OLD SELF IN HER?

BWOTCH
HYA!
HOO-AH
I THINK IT'S "COMBAT" OR "COMMANDO."
Hello?
How many times have I told you not to break the chairs?
SORRY.
OH, YEAH
IS THAT SO? THANKS.
WHAT?
DON'T GIVE ME THAT LOOK.
YOU'VE GOT NO PLACE JUDGING ME.
THE HOS-PITAL?
YOUR MOTHER?
SOUNDS LIKE SHE FINALLY DIED
ABOUT TIME, TOO.


IF THAT'S HOW YOU THINK...
...YOU DESERVE TO BURN!
"BECAUSE I DON'T WANT TO BELIEVE I'M DIFFERENT.
"I WANT TO BE NORMAL!"
"I COULD USE MY POWERS TO HELP PEOPLE.
"BUT NO, I THINK I'LL WASTE THEM..."

SO I WON'T BE COMING HERE ANYMORE.
DURING SUMMER VACATION, THERE'S AN ART CAMP AT S-PLATEAU.

SHE'S THE OPPOSITE.
WHEN YOU ATTACK, YOU HIDE YOUR OWN SOFTNESS.
Hee hee!
YOU ARE A CREATURE OF WATER, AREN'T YOU?
HF!
WHAT A BRAT
Can't she even say something back!?

IF YOU ASK ME...
YOU'RE BOTH IMMATURE.
SHE BUILDS A WALL OF FIRE AND HIDES BEHIND IT..
..TRYING NOT TO SEE HER OWN STRENGTH.
KUROSU-!
DROWN!
With a Ker-splash!
WELL..
FOR ABOUT A MONTH NOW, THAT PLACE HAS BEEN SHOWING UP ON MY THERMO GAUGE.
DID SOMEONE JUST MENTION THE S-PLATEAU?
WHY?
HUH?
..?

AN INCREDIBLE AMOUNT OF HEAT IS BUILDING.
LIKE IT COULD GO UP IN FLAMES ANY SECOND.
LET'S GO TO THE BED AND BREAKFAST IN TOWN.
WOO HOO!
WHERE DO YOU WANT TO GO FOR DINNER?
THAT'S ALL FOR TODAY.
M-HIGH SCHOOL ART CLUB SUMMER CAMP
GO BACK TO THE INN, OR SKETCH. DO WHATEVER YOU WANT.
YAY!
FORGET IT--EVEN IF YOU ASK HER, SHE WON'T COME ALONG.
HOW ABOUT YOU, OZEKI?
COMING?

TOLD YOU NOT TO BOTHER.
SHE SAID "SORRY."
EVER SINCE THAT TIME.. WHEN I WAS 12...
I'M NOT HUNGRY.
OH ...
I'M SORRY
HEY, WHY DON'T YOU COME ALONG AND HAVE DINNER WITH US?
I'VE ALWAYS LIKED YOUR USE OF COLORS, OZEKI.

..TO GO OUT WITH PEOPLE.
I'VE BEEN AFRAID

THE HEAT..
IT JUST KEEPS BUILDING AND BUILDING ...
UN-RESTRICTED BURNING OF INDUSTRIAL WASTE-- A LOT OF IT.
THEY FLOUT THE LAW AT S-PLATEAU
I NEVER KNOW WHEN I MIGHT BURN SOMEONE TO DEATH...
AND WHEN I IMAGINE THAT...

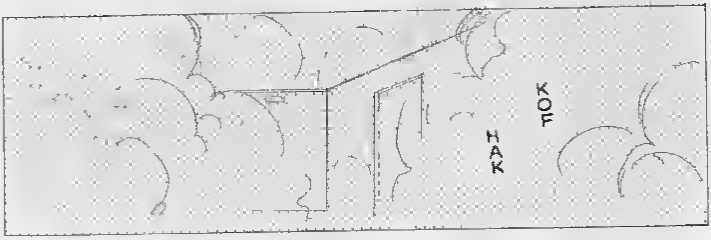
THIS IS GONNA BE ONE NASTY FOREST FIRE.
WOW!
LIKE I SAID.
OVER THERE!
THAT HOTEL'S BEGUN TO BURN!
BRIIIIN
FIRE!
BATA
BATA
BATA BATA BATA
THERE ARE FLAMES EVERY-WHERE!

IS THIS BECAUSE OF ME?
HELP!
WHERE'S THE EMERGENCY EXIT!?
DID I DO THIS?
DID ...
HURRY UP AND MAKE RAIN OR SOMETHING!
YOU!
FINE.
LET'S JUST GET TO WORK!
WEOOO WEOOO
Ya.
MR. JAJIMA
YOU PUNKS AGAIN.

AMANO?
LATELY, I...
..I HAVEN'T BEEN ABLE TO
I DON'T KNOW WHY.
THERE ARE PEOPLE STILL TRAPPED IN THERE!
IN THIS HEAT, I CAN'T TELL HOW MANY...
WHERE'S YOUR BIG TALK NOW?
IF THIS ISN'T A POWER YOU CAN USE EVERY DAY, EVERY TIME, WE DON'T NEED IT.
WE'RE THERE EVERY TIME.
YOU GOT HANDS, RIGHT?
OVER HERE!
JOIN THE BUCKET BRIGADE.
AMANO.
YOU CAN'T HELP IT.

IT'S THE SAME WITH ATHLETES
TOO MUCH STRESS JUST TAKES IT RIGHT OUT OF YOU.
IT'S LIKE A NATURAL FORCE. YOU CAN'T CONTROL IT.
I'M SURE YOUR MOTHER'S--
MY MOTHER HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH IT!
YOU GOT THAT?
FW SH
IF I WANTED TO SHOW OFF, I'D BE ON TV.
I WANT TO DO SOME-THING!
GOT TO MAKE THIS BODY DO SOMETHING!

KLANK
I'M NOT WORTHLESS, JAJIMA!
HEY!
GET BACK!
THE END
THE HUMAN BODY IS THREE-QUARTERS WATER.
I'M NOT GONNA BURN!
I don't think
What--?
I don't get it
HM.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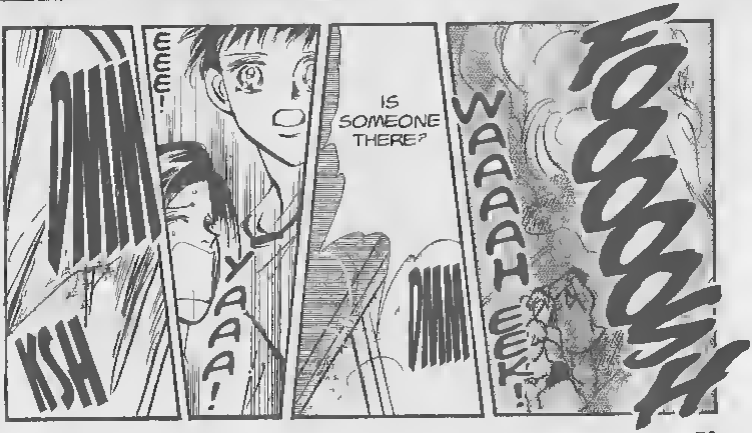
TO HELP...
A FIRE TRUCK'S HERE--
HELP'S ON ITS WAY.

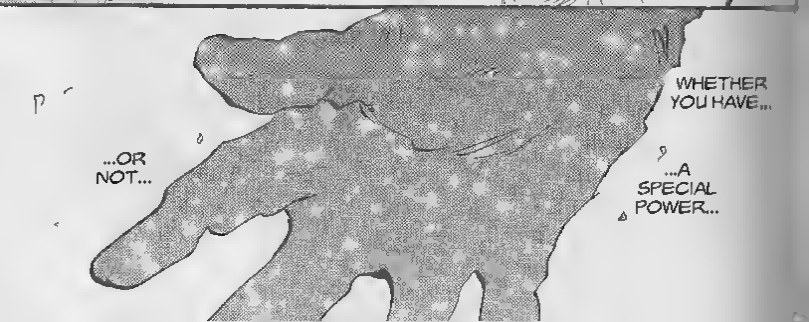
TO DO SOMETHING...
YOU MOVE A LITTLE AT A TIME.
LIKE THIS. GOT IT?
The smoke isn't that bad yet
HAA
THAT'S SMART!
I SAW A SHOW ON TV.
...THESE SPACES ON THE STAIRS STILL HAVE OXYGEN LEFT.
PUT A WET HANDKERCHIEF AGAINST YOUR MOUTH. AND DON'T PANIC
Especially don't panic
JUST KEEP YOURSELVES LOW.
WELL, WHAT DYA KNOW!
USE THIS KIND OF THING AS AN OXYGEN TANK.
HAA
Is a plastic bottle okay? Let's take it, just in case
This one's got tea!
YOU CAN BE JUST... NORMAL.
...YOU DON'T HAVE TO BE ANYONE SPECIAL.

WE'LL GO TOGETHER, NOW, RIGHT?
IT'LL BE OKAY.
YOU, TOO, OZEKI.

WHETHER YOU'RE "NORMAL" OR NOT...


FOOOOSH
WAAAAH EEK!
IS SOMEONE THERE?
DMM
EEE!
YAAA!
KSH

COME ON!
KR SH


WHETHER YOU HAVE...
...A SPECIAL POWER...
...OR NOT...

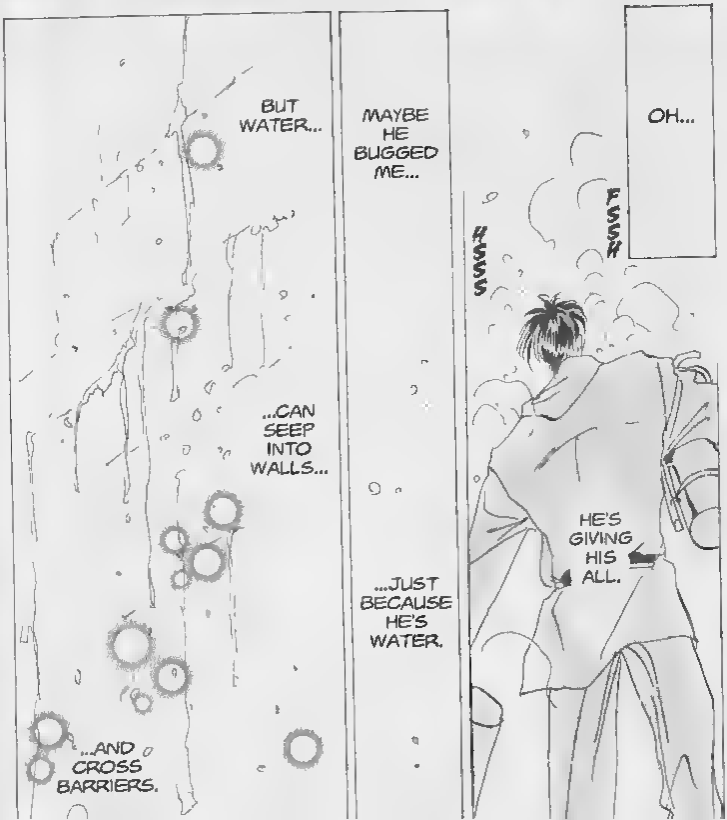
THAT'S NOT WHAT MATTERS.
IT'S JUST USING YOUR FULL POWERS--
I...
SUPPRESS THE FLAMES!
OZEKI!
FULL TALENT.
I WISH YOU WOULD DRAW WITH YOUR FULL TALENT.
GIVING YOUR ALL.

KUROSU ASKED ME -
ARE YOU OZEKI ?
WELL, I'LL TELL LATER.
I'VE NEVER DONE THAT.
THAT WAY!
THIS WAY'S NO GOOD--
HWOOOOOO
...AND THE FLAMES WILL OBEY YOU.
SEE IT IN YOUR MIND ...
WHO ...?
SEE IT!

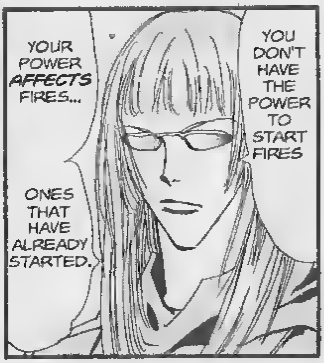
I CAN!
...THEN I CAN DO IT.
IF THAT MEANS DRAWING AN IMAGE OF IT IN MY MIND...
SEE IT?
WHA!?
FWSS
SSS

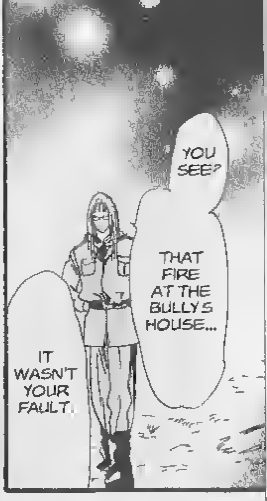
FOOOOSH
NN!
HEY!
IT'S OZEKI!
AMANO!
YOU'RE HELPING, AREN'T YOU?
I AM, TOO!
SPLOOSH
HA-OOOOF!
BY HAND, THOUGH...

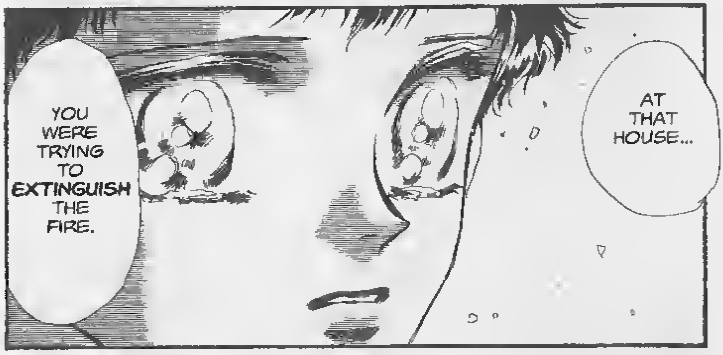
DON'T LAUGH!

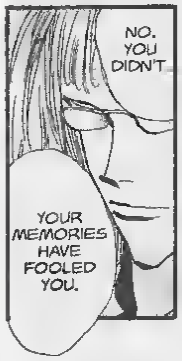

OH...
FSSSH
HSSSS
HE'S GIVING HIS ALL.
MAYBE HE BUGGED ME...
...JUST BECAUSE HE'S WATER.
BUT WATER...
...CAN SEEP INTO WALLS...
...AND CROSS BARRIERS.

I know it's an odd time, but...
I HAVE SOMETHING TO TELL YOU.
MISS OZEKI?
AMBULANCE!
BRING MORE OXYGEN!
HURRY!
HELP!
IT'S ABOUT THAT STRANGE FIRE FOUR YEARS AGO.
THE FIRE EVENTUALLY TOOK HOLD...
...AND HE BURNED HIMSELF AND HIS FAMILY TO DEATH.
THE EXPLOSION MARKS WERE LEFT ON THE WALLS...
...EVEN WHERE THERE WAS NOTHING COMBUSTIBLE
BUT THE FIRE KEPT GOING OUT.
NO MATTER HOW MANY TIMES HE TRIED TO SET IT ON FIRE, THE FLAMES WOULD EXPLODE AND DIE.
THE HOUSE OWNER WENT INSANE.
HE TRIED TO SET FIRE TO HIS HOUSE.


YOUR POWER AFFECTS FIRES...
ONES THAT HAVE ALREADY STARTED.
YOU DON'T HAVE THE POWER TO START FIRES


YOU SEE?
THAT FIRE AT THE BULLY'S HOUSE...
IT WASN'T YOUR FAULT.

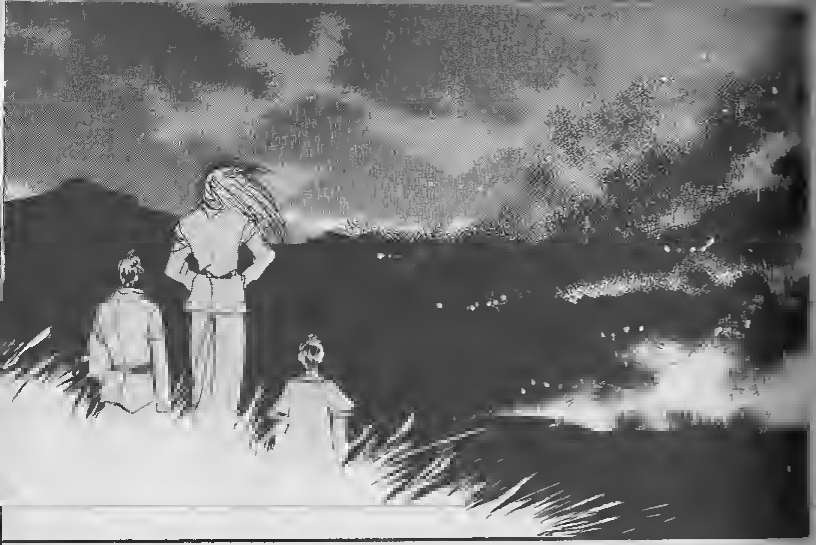

YOU WERE TRYING TO EXTINGUISH THE FIRE.
AT THAT HOUSE...

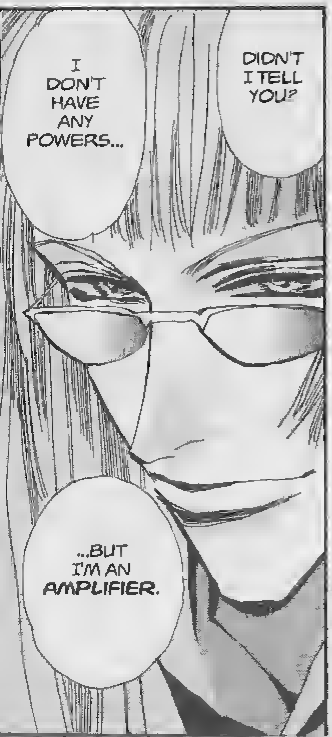

NO. YOU DIDN'T.
YOUR MEMORIES HAVE FOOLED YOU.

THEN I DIDN'T..
BURN THEM TO DEATH..?

BUT WHEN REALLY FACED WITH A FIRE
..YOU TRIED TO CONTROL IT.
IN CHILD-HOOD..
YOU MAY HAVE BEEN UNCON-SCIOUSLY DRAWN TO FIRES

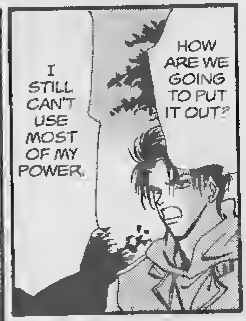
IT'S TRUE, MISS OZEKI.
MR. JAJIMA! THE WILD FIRE IS SPREADING!
What should we do?
GOT IT!
THE GROUND'S HOLDING TOO MUCH HEAT.
I DON'T THINK IT'S GONNA DIE DOWN ANY TIME SOON.
MR. KUROSU ...
DO YOU THINK...
I CAN EXTINGUISH IT?

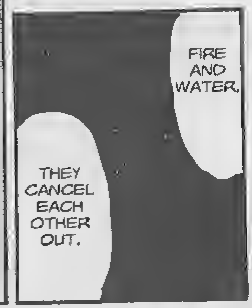



I DON'T HAVE ANY POWERS...
DIDN'T I TELL YOU?
..BUT I'M AN AMPLIFIER.

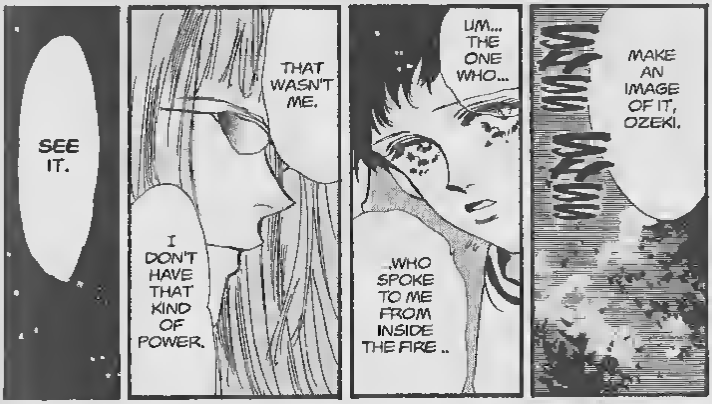
GIVE ME YOUR HAND.
UM...
YOU TOO, AMANO
FUSSH!
YOU GOT IT.

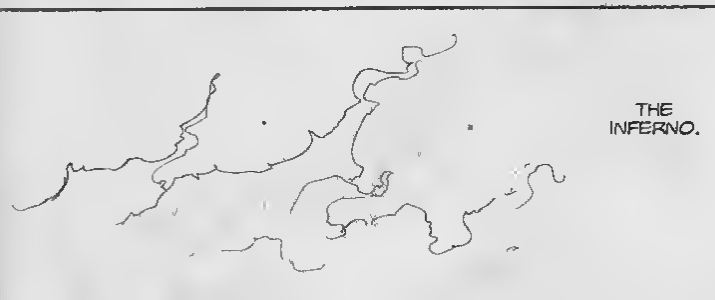
BUT IF YOU COMBINE THEM JUST RIGHT...
...THEY MAY CREATE A WHOLE NEW ENERGY.


I STILL CAN'T USE MOST OF MY POWER.
HOW ARE WE GOING TO PUT IT OUT?


FIRE AND WATER.
THEY CANCEL EACH OTHER OUT.

I'LL AMPLIFY YOUR POWERS A HUNDRED TIMES.


SEE IT.
I DON'T HAVE THAT KIND OF POWER.
THAT WASN'T ME.
..WHO SPOKE TO ME FROM INSIDE THE FIRE ..
UM... THE ONE WHO...
MAKE AN IMAGE OF IT, OZEKI.


THE INFERNO.

AVOID THE PEOPLE
...
AVOID ALL LIVING THINGS...
SEE IT.
THERE WAS ALWAYS...

...A SMALL FLAME...

...LIKE A CANDLE.

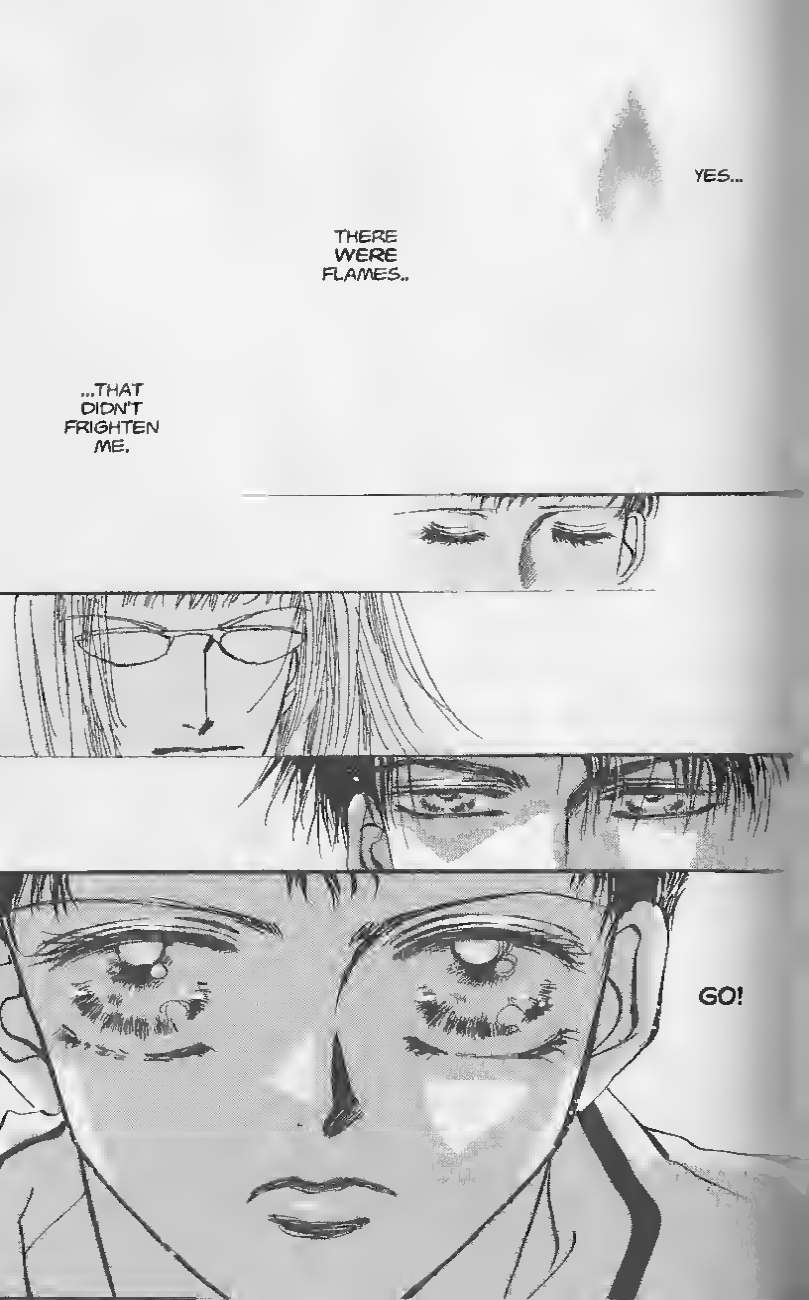
IT BURNED INSIDE OF ME.

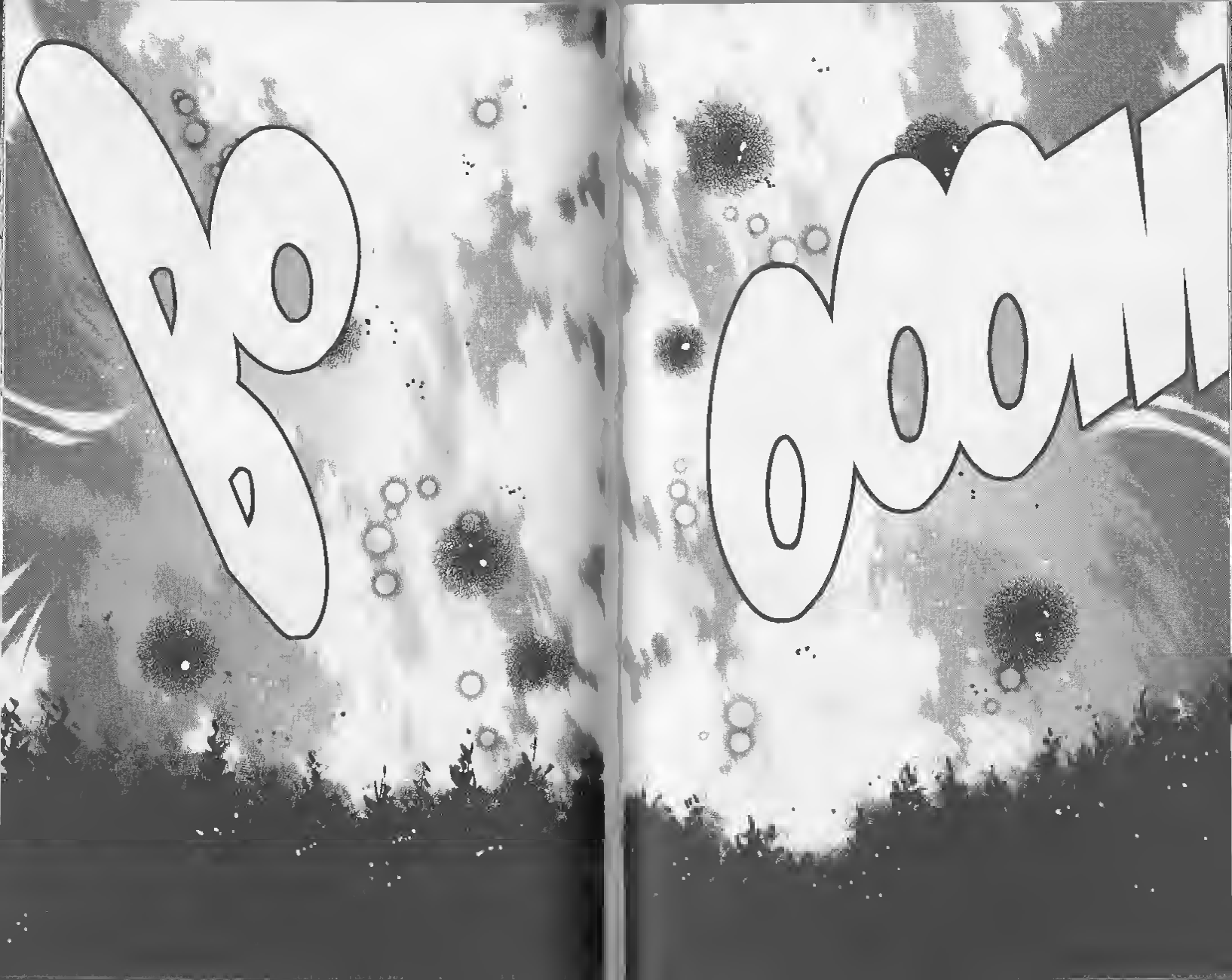
IT FELT GOOD.

IT WAS A PLACE I COULD FEEL SAFE.

IT WAS THE CANDLE ON THE BIRTHDAY CAKE...

...THAT MY PARENTS WOULD LIGHT FOR ME.


YES...
THERE WERE FLAMES..
...THAT DIDN'T FRIGHTEN ME.
GO!

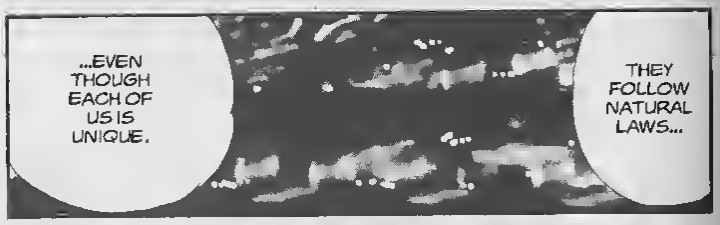

Boom

WHOA!
WHAT HAP-PENED!?
WHAT THE HELL...?
DID IT JUST VANISH?
WH--
WHERE'D IT GO!?

FIRE.
...CAN'T BURN.
SET AN EXPLOSION AND YOU SNUFF OUT THE OXYGEN
WITH NO OXYGEN
IT'S SIMILAR TO THE WAY THEY EXTINGUISH OIL FIELD FIRES
Though the method may have changed...
YOU DID WHAT YOU COULD DO, RIGHT?
MISS OZEKI...
A JOB WELL DONE!
...TO THE BEST OF YOUR ABILITIES.
YOU DID WHAT YOU COULD DO...

MANAGER!
I MEAN LEADER.
OH...
WAS IT YOU?
WERE YOU THE ONE WHO SPOKE TO ME IN THE FIRE?
MY!
DID IT REACH YOU?
I'M SO GLAD!
WHEN I WAS YOUNGER
I WAS QUITE A TELEPATH.
BUT THE POWER DISAPPEARED AFTER A WHILE.
THESE POWERS USUALLY DO.
IT MAY BE THE SAME FOR ALL OF YOU.

IT'S LIKE...
RUNNING FAST, OR JUMPING HIGH...
OR NIMBLE DEXTERITY.
THESE ARE NATURAL POWERS WE HAVE.


...EVEN THOUGH EACH OF US IS UNIQUE.
THEY FOLLOW NATURAL LAWS...

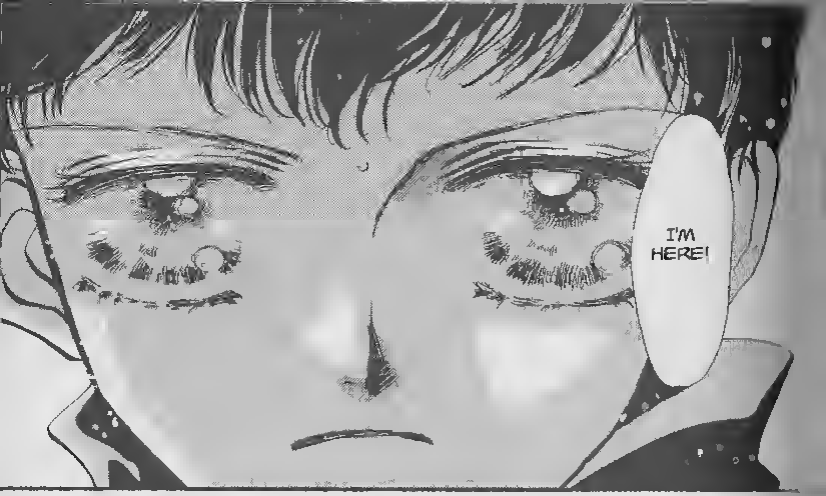
AREN'T THESE QUESTIONS...
EVERYONE HAS TO ASK?
WHAT AM I?
WHAT CAN I DO?

YOU AGREE, KUROSU?
PLEASE! DON'T REMIND ME!
NOT WHAT YOU USED TO BE, ARE YOU?

MAKE SURE..
YOU USE YOUR POWER WHILE YOU STILL HAVE IT.
AND EACH OF US IS BORN WITH DIFFERENT POWERS
"WILD"
IT MEANS "NATURAL." THEY'RE POWERS WE'RE BORN WITH
BUT AT THE SAME TIME, EVERYONE IS UNIQUE.
I'M NOT UNIQUE
AFTER I FINALLY GOT OVER THE ANXIETY...
AND SO..
BLOOP
Well, he's back to normal
BLUB!
I MEAN, MAYBE IT'S TOO HARD FOR YOU TO GRASP, AMANO..
LOOK, THIS ISN'T A SPIRITUAL PUZZLE
OH, GO DROWN.

I ENLISTED IN WILD COM.
OOO!
CLAP CLAP
WOO-HOO!
IT LOOKS GOOD ON YOU!
She looks like a guy!
"WHAT CAN I DO?"
"WHAT DO I WANT TO DO?"
THESE ARE THE QUESTIONS TO ASK YOURSELF.
I WILL.
OH, AND ONE MORE THING.
NOBODY EVER SEEMS TO GET THIS RIGHT, BUT...

IT STANDS FOR "COMMUNICATION AND COMBINATION."
TRY TO REMEMBER THAT.
THE "COM" IN WILD COM.
SO THAT'S IT.
MAN, THAT'S SO MISLEADING!
LET'S GO, OZEKI.
THIS'LL BE YOUR FIRST JOB
IT'S AN ACCI-DENT.
THERE'S BEEN A PILE-UP ON THE FREEWAY!
SHOULD WE DEPLOY !?
What did you say about my pizza?!
Do we have to?
All right, let's eat some pizza!
BWEEP
BWEEP



——WILD COM——

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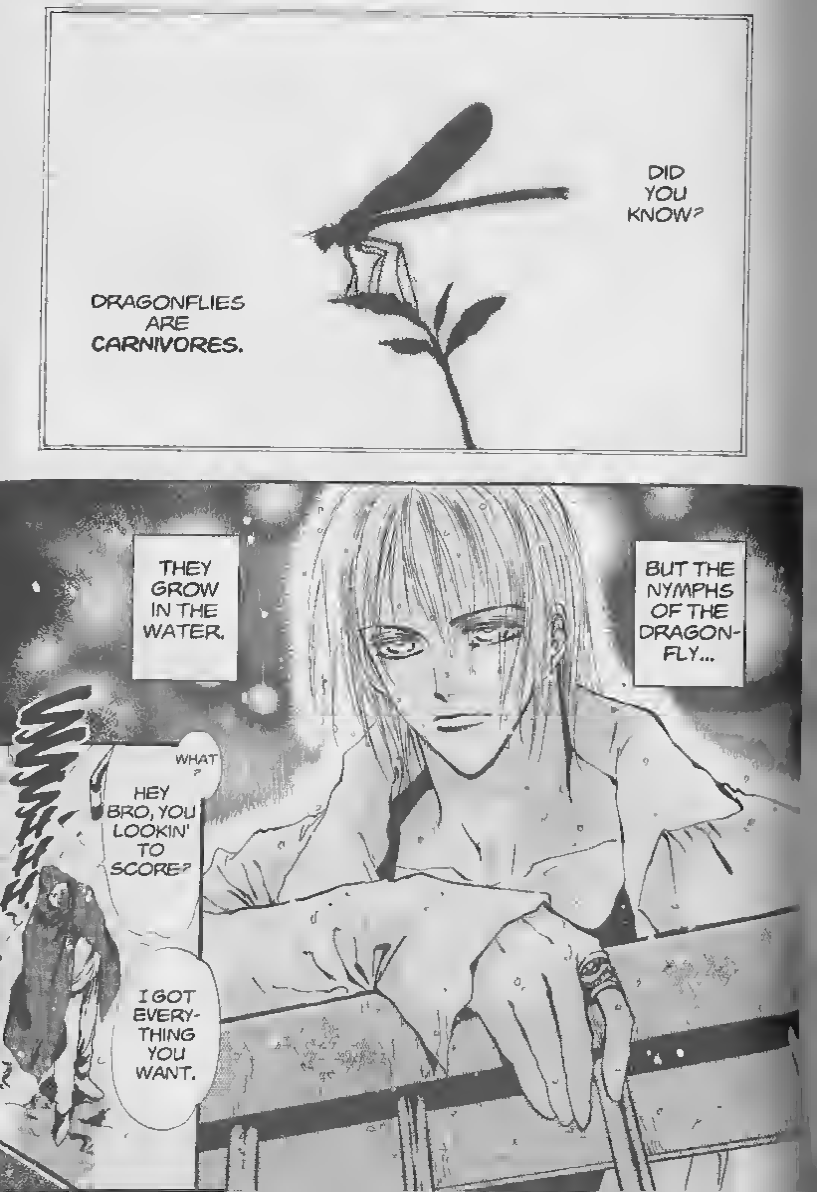
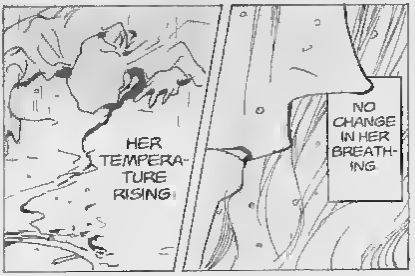
The Beasts of June


DID YOU KNOW?
DRAGONFLIES ARE CARNIVORES.
THEY GROW IN THE WATER.
BUT THE NYMPHS OF THE DRAGON-FLY...
WHAT?
HEY BRO, YOU LOOKIN' TO SCORE?
I GOT EVERY-THING YOU WANT.

FIRST TIME CUSTOMER, I'LL MAKE IT CHEAP.
YOU INTRODUCE ME TO SOME FRIENDS, I'LL EVEN THROW IN A BONUS...

SH
UT

GONNA KILL ME?
I REALLY DON'T CARE.


HER TEMPERATURE RISING.
NO CHANGE IN HER BREATHING.

THERE'S NO POINT TO MY LIFE.
IT'S LIKE I'M LIVING IN WATER.
HER TEMPERATURE
...RISES.
NIP
OW!

SSSSHHHH
SSSHH
USH
HEY, THERE YOU ARE.
WAS THERE A SHOP OVER HERE?
I...
I MARKED HER.

DOES SHE HAVE A BOY-FRIEND?
WELL, IT'S MORE LIKE..
WHAT, DOES SHE HAVE A CURFEW?
YOU KIDDING? HER PARENTS ARE DIVORCED, AND SHE'S LIVING BY HERSELF.
NO.
I FEEL SICK. I'M GOING HOME.
WHAT? AGAIN? YOU'RE REALLY ANTI-SOCIAL.
...WHAT YOU'D CALL A "DADDY."
THAT'S WHY SHE NEVER LOOKS HAPPY.
I'M LIVING IN WATER.
JUST INSECTS.
GIANT WATER BUGS AND DRAGON-FLY NYMPHS.
DIG
IT DOESN'T MATTER. COME HERE, AKANE.
DIG
THIS AQUARIUM EMPTY?

I HAD A PRETTY DANGEROUS MOMENT TODAY.
LOOKING AT HIM CLOSELY
HE WAS A TRULY BEAUTIFUL BOY.
LIKE A CARNIV-OROUS BEAST.
I KNOW I'VE SAID IT BEFORE
BUT I HOPE YOU WON'T BE DISTRACTED BY OTHER MEN.
OH. HERE'S YOUR ALLOW-ANCE.
THANK YOU
THAT'S NOT WHAT I MEANT, THOUGH.
GRABBING THE CLOSEST THING AT HAND...
SO I DON'T GET SWEPT AWAY.
I'VE TOLD YOU, AKANE. CURIOSITY WILL BE THE DEATH OF YOU.
FORGET THAT.
UNABLE TO MOVE.
UN-ABLE TO SPEAK.
SO FAR FROM THE SUN.

HA!
YOU'RE JOKING, RIGHT?
WOMEN ARE ALL HERBIVORES?
AS CARNIVORES AND HERBIVORES?
MEN AND WOMEN.
BEFORE THEY EVOLVED, WERE THEY AS DIFFERENT..
AKI.
I HAVE YOUR NEXT JOB.
IT RAINS EVERY DAY.
DON'T SCREW UP.
WHEN IT RAINS--
I'LL DO IT.
JUST TRASH.
THE SEQUENCE DOESN'T MATTER.
THEY'RE ALL FILTHY PUSHERS.

THE BOSS KEEPS YOU...
BECAUSE YOU WORK HARD.
BUT THERE'S A CONTROL IN CASE YOU FAIL.
DON'T GET COMPLA-CENT.
THIS CONTROL
IT'S YOU, RIGHT, YAN?
YOU'RE A DRAGONFLY.
Well, good luck
I'M A SNAKE.
GAA--
DRAGONFLY NYMPHS...
TAKE THEIR PREY UNDER-WATER.

ALL MY BRO'S ARE GETTIN' KILLED--
YOU BASTARD!
AND YOU'RE THE ONE BEHIND IT!
I DON'T KNOW WHICH ORGANIZATION YOU BELONG TO--
BUT YOU'RE DEAD!
HUH?

SSH
SSH
SSH
WHAT ARE YOU?
EEEEK!
MURDERER!
I WANTED TO MEET YOU AGAIN.
YOU'RE THE ONE WHO PUT HIS MARK ON ME.

I WANT TO KNOW IF YOU ARE A BEAST.
DID YOU KNOW?
DRAGON-FLIES ARE CARNI-VORES.
I'M A DRAGON-FLY.
...EVER WISH THEY COULD BE DEVOURED?
DO HERBIVORES...

ENTHRALLED AND DEVOURED...
THE MAN WHO SAVED ME...
...CONTROLS ME.
THE LOCAL MEN...
...THEY ASSAULTED ME
MY GRANDMOTHER FEARED MY GRANDFATHER.
MY MOTHER WAS BEATEN BY MY FATHER.
THEY DON'T CONTROL...
AND THEY AREN'T CONTROLLED
ANIMALS HAVE ORDER.
ONLY HUMANS.
WHERE THE MALE HAS SO MUCH MORE POWER THAN THE FEMALE?
IS THERE ANY OTHER ANIMAL...

HEY..
WHAT'S THAT?
A CAR COM-PACTOR
YOU KNOW--IT TURNS CARS INTO LITTLE CUBES

JUNKING CARS IS AGAINST THE LAW.
YOU LIVE IN A PRETTY WILD PLACE. DON'T THEY...
...TRY TO CH...SE YOU OUT?
NOBODY WILL REPORT ME.
I like sleeping in a different car every day.
WELL, AKI. I'VE GOT TO GIVE YOU CREDIT.
...TO BRING A WOMAN HERE.
IT'S PROBABLY UNHEALTHY
BUT IT SOUNDS GOOD.
I DON'T NEED A BATH--
BECAUSE IT RAINS.
SLIP
TNC

THE ORGANIZATION SAID SOMETHING ABOUT IT..
BUT ALL I HEARD WAS THAT HE WAS A PUSHER.
THAT'S RIGHT. JUST A SIMPLE CLEANING JOB.
I DIDN'T SCREW UP
THEY WERE WAITING FOR ME.
YOU CAUSED ...
...A LITTLE PROBLEM, DIDN'T YOU?
...NOT WHEN A SCARY WATCHDOG'S KEEPING AN EYE ON YOU.
YOU SHOULDN'T BE FOOLING AROUND WITH SOME GIRL.
BUT WHEN MY WINGS GROW...
I'M GOING TO LEAVE THE WATER.
I GOT IT FROM YAN.
I OWE HIM..
SO I'M PAYING HIM BACK.
I WORK FOR SNAKES.
THE SNAKES ON THIS RING?
THAT'S YAN.
HE'S MY CONNECTION AND CONTROL.
No
YOUR EMPLOYER?

AKI...
WHERE WERE YOU BORN?
ANOTHER COUNTRY.
AROUND JUNE DRAGONFLIES METAMORPHOSE
THEY MATURE AND GROW WINGS.

AKANE.
DID YOU WEAR A RING?
YEAH.
I USED TO WEAR ONE SOME-ONE GAVE ME.
BUT NOT ANYMORE.
CHF
CHF
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AKI, WHERE ARE YOU GOING?
TO THE SKY.

AH!
AKANE!
GET OUT!
RMRM
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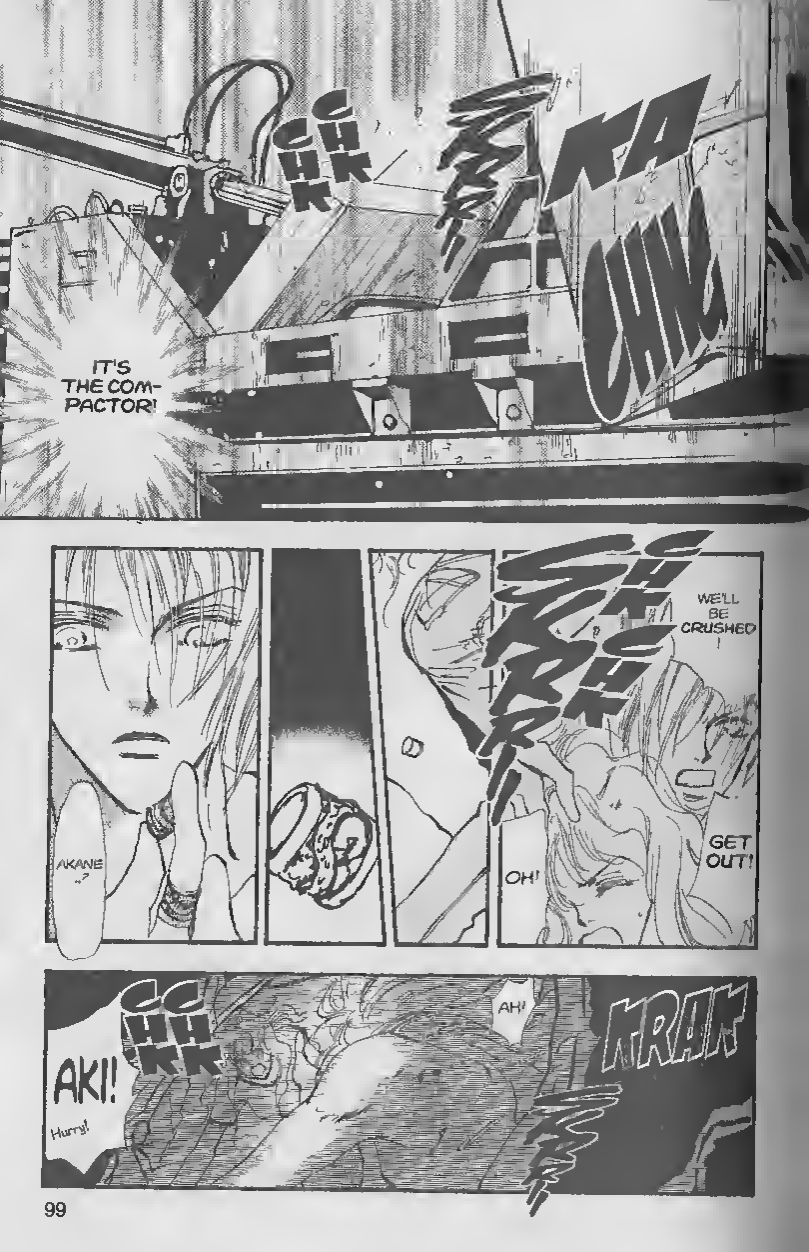

IT'S THE COMPACTOR!
CHHK
KA
CHNG
AKANE...?
OH!
WE'LL BE CRUSHED!
GET OUT!
AKI!
Hurry!
CCHHKK
AH!
KRAK

YAN!
HFF
HFF
HFF
YO.
YOU MADE IT.
HEY-- THEY ESCAPED!
GET 'EM!
YOU KILLED A MAJOR PLAYER.
THEY'RE GETTING SERIOUS.
IN THE NEAR FUTURE ..
OUR ORGANIZATION IS GOING TO TAKE OVER THIS COUNTRY.
THE CURRENT ORGANIZATION
THEY WERE IN THE WAY.
THEY..?

A GIANT SNAKE. A DRAGON.. IS GOING TO COME
YOU DRAGONFLIES ARE THE HERALD.
ACCORDING TO LEGEND, THE DRAGON-FLY IS THE SERVANT OF THE SNAKE.
YOU PAID BACK YOUR DEBT, AND DREW THE ENEMY AWAY FROM US
YOU DID WELL, AKI.
I DON'T REMEMBER TELLING YOU TO SLEEP WITH HIM, AKANE
I ALWAYS SAID YOUR CURIOSITY WOULD BE THE DEATH OF YOU.

AKI.
SO YOU KNOW...
I'M THE BOSS.
AKANE IS THE CONTROL
SHE'S MY WOMAN.
AKI AND AKANE...
ARE BOTH NAMES I'VE GIVEN YOU.
THEY'RE THE NAMES OF DRAGON-FLIES.

I HATE GETTING RID OF BODIES.
HUP
THEY DON'T CONTROL
AND THEY AREN'T CONTROLLED
ANIMAL LOVE
AKANE, LET'S EAT SOME GOOD SESAME DUMPLINGS LATER.
I HAVE A JOB IN THE NORMAL WORLD, SO I'M LEAVING.
KCH
CLEAN THIS UP FOR ME
Make sure the other side doesn't get their bribes.
YES, SIR
THEY'RE EQUALS.
AKI!!!!
AKI...
AKI

AHH!
UH!
WHAP
DRAGON-FLIES MAY BE SERVANTS OF THE SNAKE.
BUT THEY'RE ALSO CALLED "THE DEVIL'S SEWING NEEDLE".
HE HAS FOR-GOTTEN.
IN THAT LEGEND...
THE DRAGONFLY FINALLY EATS THE SNAKE

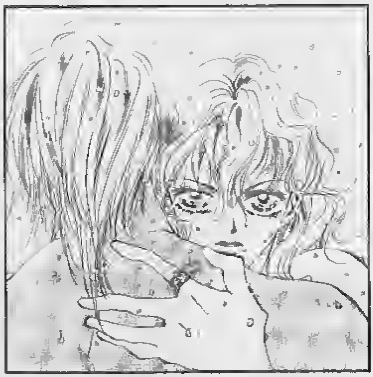
BANG!
MARATHON
RAHHHHH

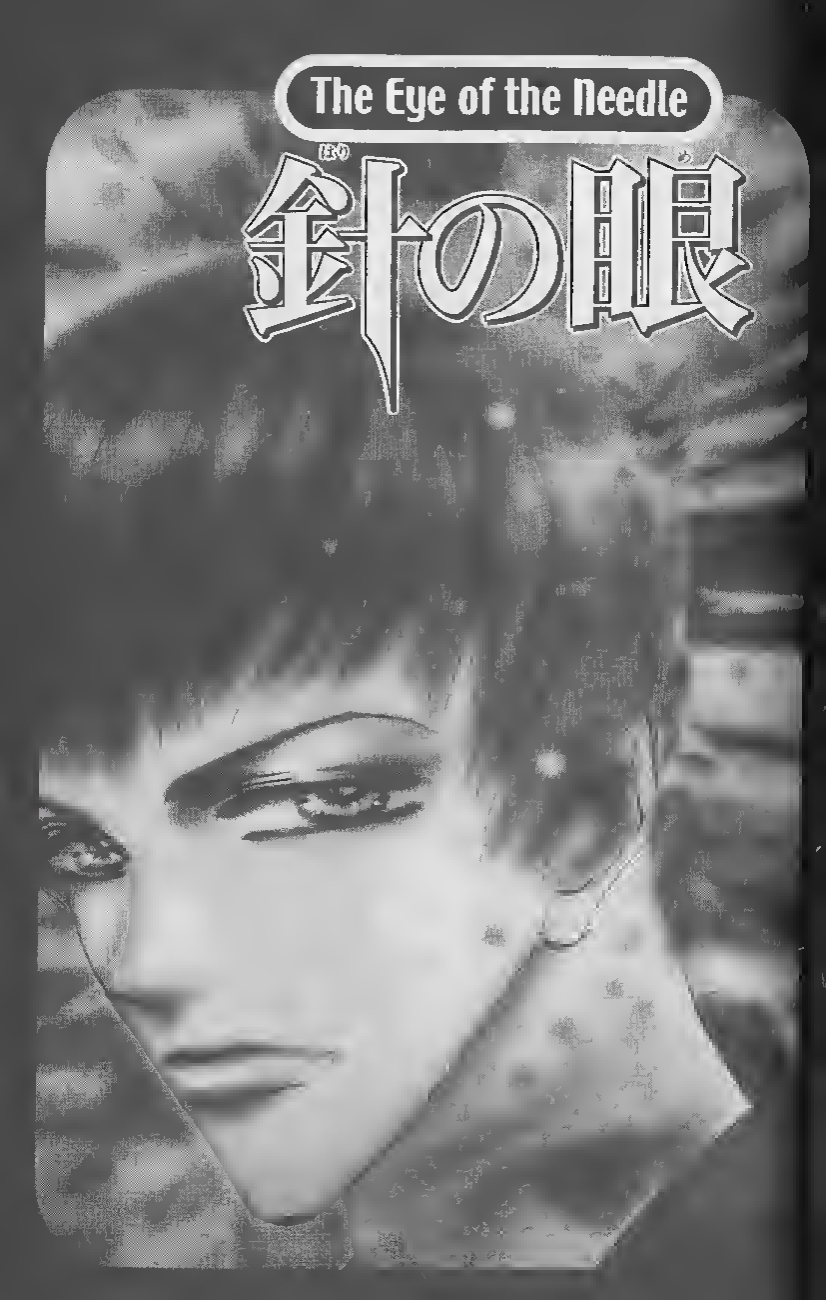
WOO HOO
WE TRIED TO CHASE THEM
BUT WITH THIS CROWD--
YAY
THEY GOT AWAY
IT WILL BECOME A BRIDGE THAT WILL CONNECT OUR COUNTRIES.
RAH
RAH
AMBASSADOR, YOU HAVE A CALL
THANK YOU ALL FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF THIS EVENT.
NOT AT ALL.
TMPTMPTMP
TMPTMP
POP POP POP
POP
RAAH
SHK
SHK
RAH
YAAY

POP
POP
POP POP
RAHHHH
WHAT DO YOU MEAN, 'HERBIVORE'?

I AM...
...AN ANIMAL.
YOU'LL BE HUNTED BY BOTH SIDES.
YOU WON'T LIVE LONG.
DRAGON-FLIES...
WE'RE GOING TO LEAVE THE WATER.
RAHH
YAY
GO.
AS A PARTING GIFT, I'LL GIVE YOU THREE MINUTES.
...OF WHEN THEY WERE IN THE WATER?
DO THEY HAVE MEMORIES ...

IN THAT MOMENT...
..WE ROSE INTO THE SKY...
...ON THE MEMORY OF WINGS




The Eye of the Needle
針の眼

WATCHED
BY A
NEEDLE-
LIKE
GAZE.

FLIK
TM TM
TM

YOU'RE LATE, UIKO.
I TOLD YOU NOT TO MAKE ME WAIT.
Oh! Eek! Is that—?
What?
It is!
No way!
OH, SHIKI!
SORRRY!
DID YOU WAIT LONG?
YOU'RE LATE!

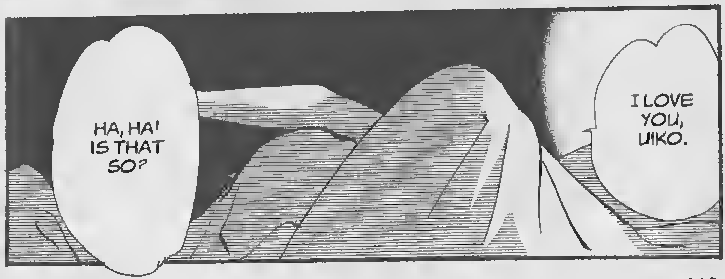
I'M SORRY!
THE LECTURE RAN LONGER THAN I EXPECTED
BUT SHIKI...
HOW MANY TIMES DO I HAVE TO TELL YOU?
I HATE WAITING!
TM TM TM TM TM TM
YOU KNOW...
...IT ISN'T LIKE YOU MIND BEING CONSPICUOUS, IS IT?
AAAAAA

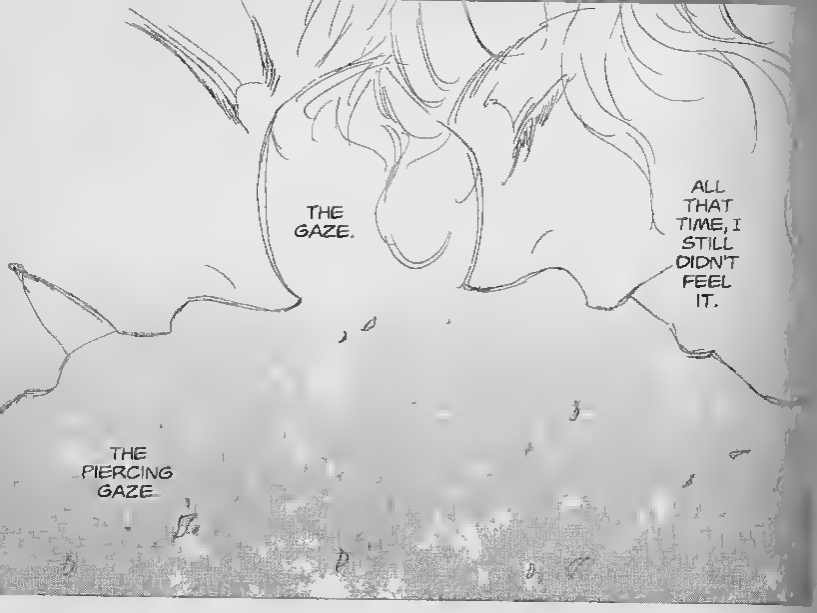
WAAAAA AAAH
HATE 'EM
PWIK
NOISY, DIRTY, AND STUPID.
YOU DON'T LIKE KIDS, DO YOU, SHIKI?
WHEN THEY BAWL LIKE THAT--
IT'S CAUSE THEIR PARENTS AREN'T DOING THEIR JOBS
AAAH!
WHAT IS IT?
A CHILD?
OH, PIPE DOWN!
QUIT NAGGING, LIIKO.
YOU'RE A ROLE MODEL.
BUT PEOPLE KNOW YOU.
SHIKI.
I'VE TOLD YOU THAT'S A BAD HABIT.

YEAH, YEAH
SHIKI HAIBARA
HE'S AMONG THE MOST-WATCHED OF THE NEW MALE MODELS
FROM A READER'S SUBMISSION IN A GIRL'S MAGAZINE...
TO THE COVER OF A TOP-SELLING MEN'S MAG...

QUIT SMOKING.

NO.
YOU QUIT NAG-GING..
OR I'LL GET SICK OF YOU.
AND HOW MANY TIMES HAVE I HEARD THAT?
IF WE START FROM MIDDLE SCHOOL ...
MAYBE 300 TIMES?
SINCE MIDDLE SCHOOL, HUH? HAVE WE REALLY BEEN TOGETHER THAT LONG?
YEP SEVEN YEARS ALREADY


I LOVE YOU, UIKO.
HA, HA! IS THAT SO?


THE GAZE.
ALL THAT TIME, I STILL DIDN'T FEEL IT.
THE PIERCING GAZE.

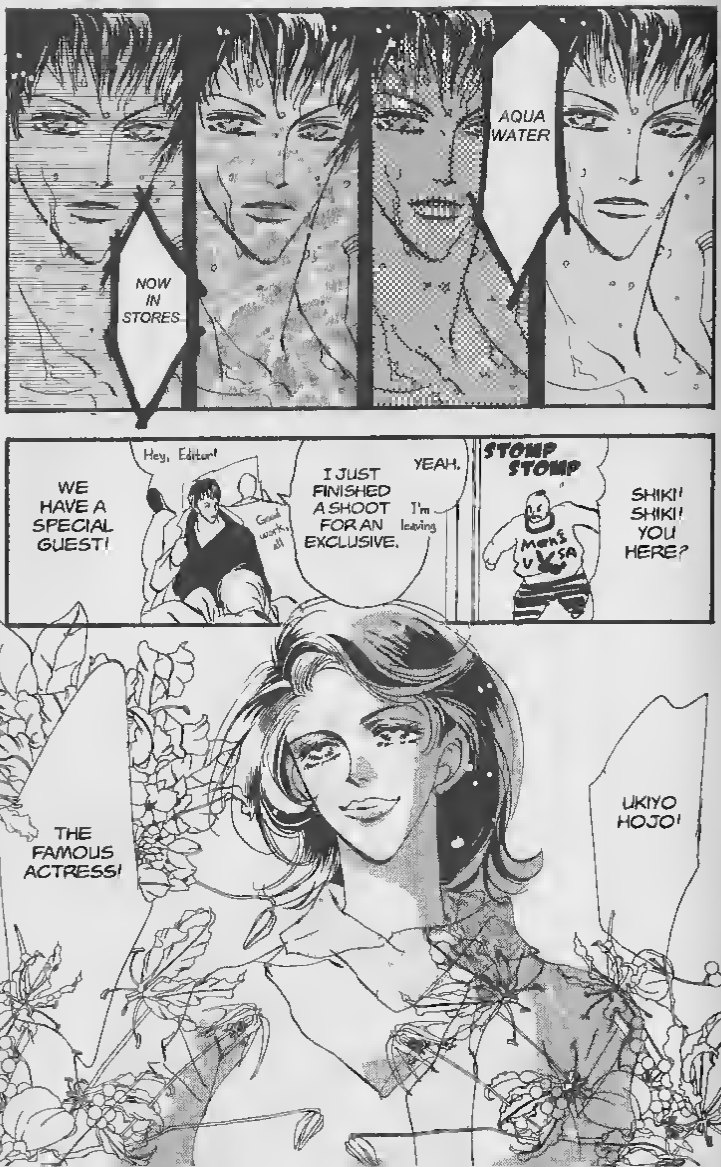
THAT EYE.

I GOT THE TV COMMERCIAL!
WE CLOSED THE DEAL!
UIKO!
I DID IT!

IT'S LIKE I'VE BEEN TELLING YOU--
YOU'RE GONNA BE BIG, SHIKI!
THEY'LL BE PUTTING YOU IN A DRAMA NEXT!
And to think I'm the one who sent your picture to that "Show Off Your Boyfriend" section!
YAY! CONGRATULATIONS!
YOU DID IT!
I DON'T THINK IT MATTERS, NOWADAYS.
DO YOU THINK IT'LL HURT IF WOMEN KNOW YOU'RE TAKEN?
Well.
OKAY.
FOR A "WHILE."
BUT... WELL...LET'S KEEP IT A SECRET FOR A WHILE.
IN CASE IT HELPS MAKE ME MORE DESIRABLE.

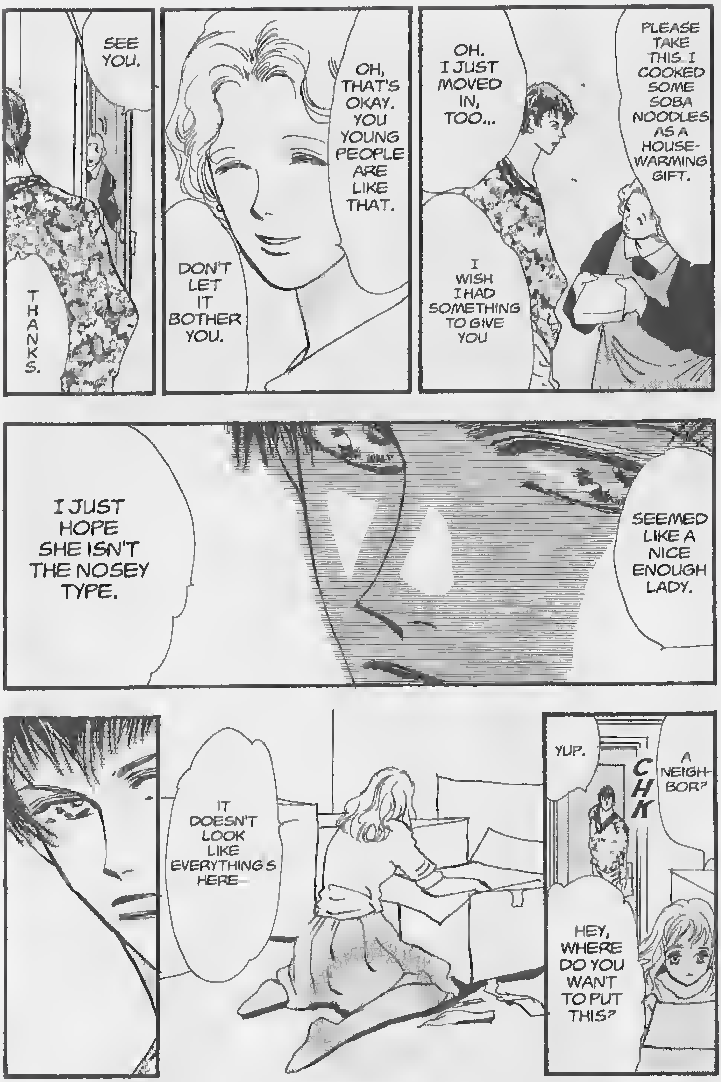
ETERNAL WATER
BUT SOMEDAY, I WANT YOU TO SAY IT IN FRONT OF EVERYONE ..
THAT YOU HAVE A GIRL-FRIEND.
BORN FROM AN ANCIENT OCEAN
THE WATER OF TRUTH
RAINING FROM AN ANCIENT SKY

AQUA WATER
BUY IT ON THE NIGHT OF A FULL MOON
FLOW-ING
YOU THINK SO TOO, UKIYO?
THIS BOY HAS A GOOD FEEL TO HIM
THROUGH YOUR BODY
THROUGH YOUR BODY
FLOW-ING


AQUA WATER
NOW IN STORES
WE HAVE A SPECIAL GUEST!
Hey, Editor!
Good work, all
I JUST FINISHED A SHOOT FOR AN EXCLUSIVE.
YEAH, I'm leaving
STOMP STOMP
SHIKI! SHIKI! YOU HERE?
THE FAMOUS ACTRESS!
UKIYO HOJO!

...WORK WITH ME?
WOULD YOU LIKE TO...
THE AGENCY WANTS ME TO MOVE TO A BETTER APARTMENT.
I'M GONNA BUY A NEW CAR SOON, TOO.
CONGRATULATIONS ON GETTING THE ROLE
IT'S A NATURAL SKILL FOR YOU, SHIKI.
She's crazy beautiful
AND SHE CAME TO SCOUT ME PERSONALLY!
I DON'T BELIEVE IT
I GUESS STUFF LIKE THIS REALLY HAPPENS.
THE UKIYO HOJO!

IT'S A NEW COMPLEX, SO PEOPLE ARE MOVING IN ALL OVER THE PLACE
I HOPE MY NEIGHBORS ARE OKAY...
Tiger Cat Moving
CHAK
OH!
HELLO.
YOU MUST BE MY NEW NEIGHBOR.
MY NAME'S YAMAZAKI. I'M MOVING INTO 601.


SEE YOU.
THANKS.
OH, THAT'S OKAY. YOU YOUNG PEOPLE ARE LIKE THAT.
DON'T LET IT BOTHER YOU.
OH. I JUST MOVED IN, TOO...
I WISH I HAD SOMETHING TO GIVE YOU
PLEASE TAKE THIS I COOKED SOME SOBA NOODLES AS A HOUSE-WARMING GIFT.
I JUST HOPE SHE ISN'T THE NOSEY TYPE.
SEEMED LIKE A NICE ENOUGH LADY.
IT DOESN'T LOOK LIKE EVERYTHING'S HERE—
YUP.
CHK
A NEIGHBOR?
HEY, WHERE DO YOU WANT TO PUT THIS?

OH?
DO I?
IT'S OKAY. NO ONE'S LOOKING.
UIKO.
YOU HAVE A RUN IN YOUR STOCKING
SHIKI.
DO YOU LIKE BEING A MODEL?
OR WOULD YOU REALLY RATHER BE AN ACTOR?
WHAT ABOUT SINGING?

WOULD YOU LIKE TO BE SWEPT AWAY?
OH..
HOW CUTE.
ME?
I DON'T HAVE ANY REAL AMBI-TIONS.
I'M COOL GOING WITH THE FLOW.

WERE YOU WAITING?
I'M SORRY, SHIKI.

BUT THEY'RE COMFORT-ABLE
It's what I always wear.
SINCE YOU'RE GONNA BE WALKING WITH ME?
AND WHAT'S WITH THAT OUTFIT?
CAN'T YOU DRESS A LITTLE MORE... YOU KNOW...
SORRY!
I TOLD YOU. I DON'T LIKE WAITING.
AND PEOPLE ARE STARING AT ME.

WHAT ARE YOU ACTING ALL HAPPY ABOUT?
WHO DO YOU THINK YOU ARE?
LATER
AH, I'M BUSY RIGHT NOW
SHIKI?
I'M BUSY!
SHIKI?

Drama "Gekko" Starts Strong!
All Eyes on Newcomer Shiki Haibara
SHIKI?
SHIKI?
SHIKI?
Possible Break-up
Special! Shiki Haibara
and Ukiyo Hojo—
Is It Love?
SHIKI?

SHIKI
BEEP
WHY ARE YOU ANGRY?
DID I DO SOME-THING?
SHIKI IT'S ME
BEEP
SHIKI
BEEP
S H I K I
AREN'T YOU HOME YET?
BEEP
SHIKI, IT'S ME
PLEASE, I NEED TO SEE YOU
PLEASE CONTACT ME
BEEP
SHIKI, I WANT TO SEE YOU
BEEP
IS SHE FOR REAL?
BEEP
SHIKI
SHIKI
BEEP
WHAT ?
GEEZ ...
SHIKI
BEEP

SLAM
QUIT CALLING ME!
OR I'M GONNA CHANGE MY NUMBER!
SHIKI!?
HEY, UIKO!
...THE MESSAGES STOPPED.
AFTER THAT...
...THAT I STARTED TO FEEL THE GAZE.
IT WAS AROUND THEN...

I DIDN'T THINK SHE'D BE THIS MUCH OF A PAIN.
SO SHE WON'T LET GO?
I GIVE UP.
YOU DIDN'T HANDLE THIS VERY WELL.
THE GAZE...
THAT UNBLINKING GAZE...
...LIKE IT WAS STABBING...

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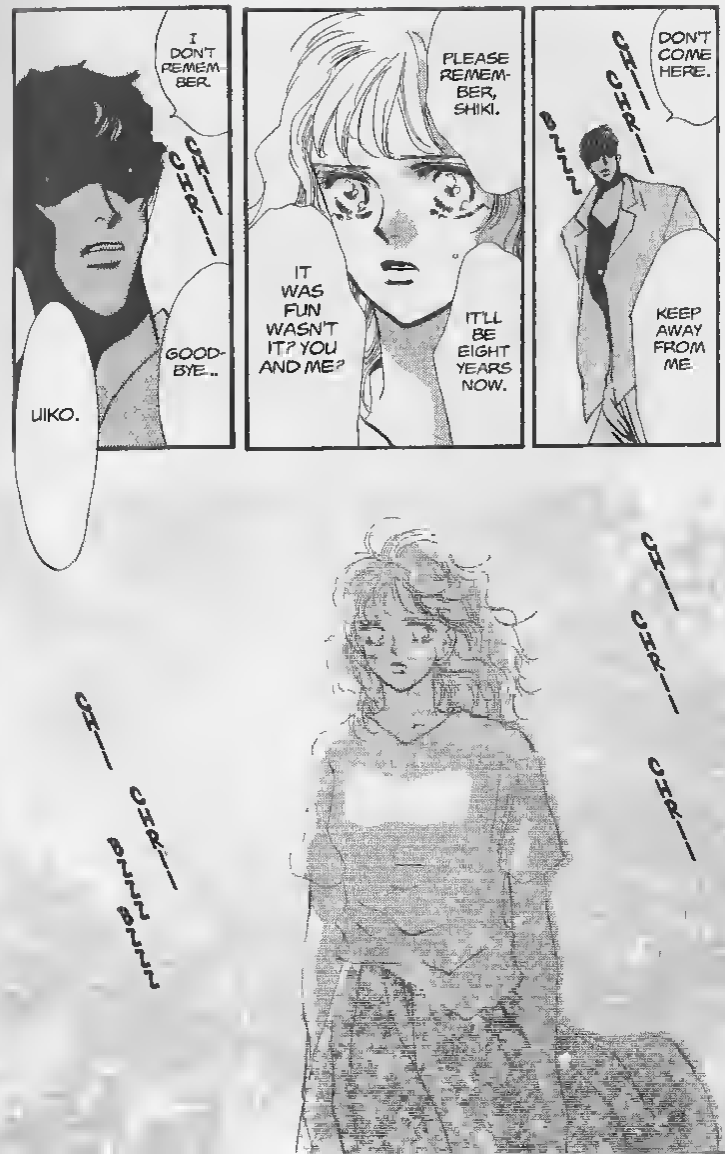
DON'T COME HERE.
KEEP AWAY FROM ME.
PLEASE REMEMBER, SHIKI.
IT WAS FUN WASN'T IT? YOU AND ME?
IT'LL BE EIGHT YEARS NOW.
I DON'T REMEMBER.
GOOD-BYE..
UIKO.

I MEAN, IT COULDN'T BE HELPED.
MY CAREER WAS ON THE RISE.
SO THE PEOPLE I HUNG OUT WITH WERE AT A NEW LEVEL, RIGHT?
NOTHING I COULD DO.
I'm off
Said out of habit
CHA
SHKA SHKA

OH, WELL
PROBABLY JUST SOME FAN HARASSING ME.
CHAK
OH?
GOOD MORNING.
HEY!
WHAT IS THIS?
THIS IS THE GARBAGE I PUT OUT LAST NIGHT...
MY, MY.
IT MUST BE DIFFICULT TO BE IN SHOW BUSINESS.
I'VE BEEN TAKING CARE NOT TO TALK ABOUT YOU.
OH.
THIS IS MY DAUGHTER.
HER NAME IS MIREI.
I'D LIKE TO HELP...
..BUT I HAVE TO TAKE MY DAUGHTER TO SCHOOL.
NO, DON'T WORRY ABOUT IT.

HAS SHE GOT PINKEYE OR SOME-THING?
SHE'D BETTER NOT GIVE IT TO ME..
IF YOU'LL EXCUSE ME..
Take care
YES
IT SEEMS SHE GOT IT AT THE POOL.
THAT UIKO!
SHIT
DAMN IT.
WHAT I CALL STALKING!
THIS IS--
CHI CHI

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PI
THE HARRASSMENT CONTINUED
YEAH, I'M SORRY IT'S RECEIVING
IF YOU NEED ME, I'LL BE AT THE OFFICE.
HEY SHIKI, I CAN'T SEND A FAX
TH
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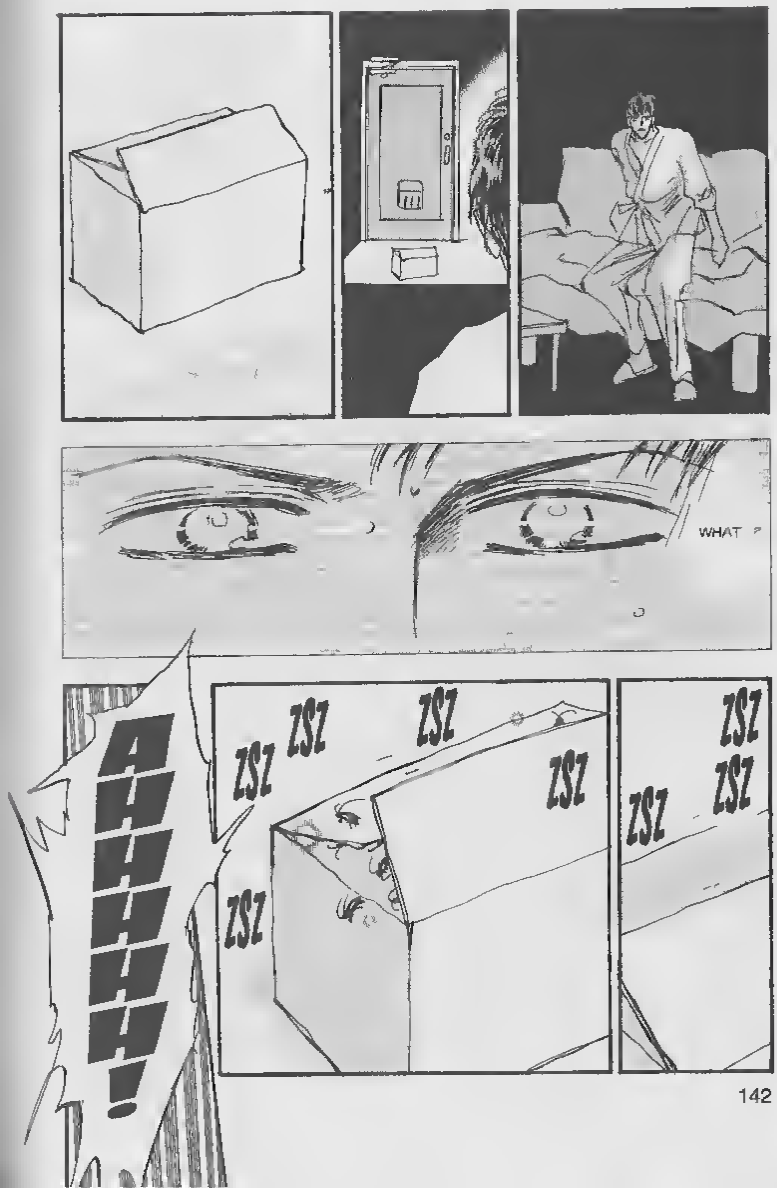
TH
EVEN WHEN I CHANGED THE PHONE NUMBER, IT KEPT HAPPENING.

THEY'VE BEEN MOVED!
MY THINGS ...
.....
I'M HOME!
Habit again
CHAN
AND THEN WORSE.
SHE WAS HERE!
RRRR

SO JUST LET THE NATURALNESS SHINE THROUGH! OKAY? THAT'S HOW WE'RE SELLING YOU.
LOOK, I KNOW YOU'RE NOT AN ACTOR...
SCRI
CUT!
SHIKI, WHERE'S YOUR HEAD?
OR ELSE SOME-ONE'S GOING TO RE-PLACE YOU.
PLEASE GET IT TOGETHER
HEY... I'M SORRY, I'M IN A RUSH.
THERE HE IS!
I'M GONNA HAVE TO MOVE!
DAMN IT!

SHIF
SHIF
?
I GUESS I'LL CHANGE THE LOCKS IN THE MEANTIME.
I KNOW, I'M A SLACKER--
RRIP
BUT I HATE MOVING
ZHOOP
BAM


WHAT ?
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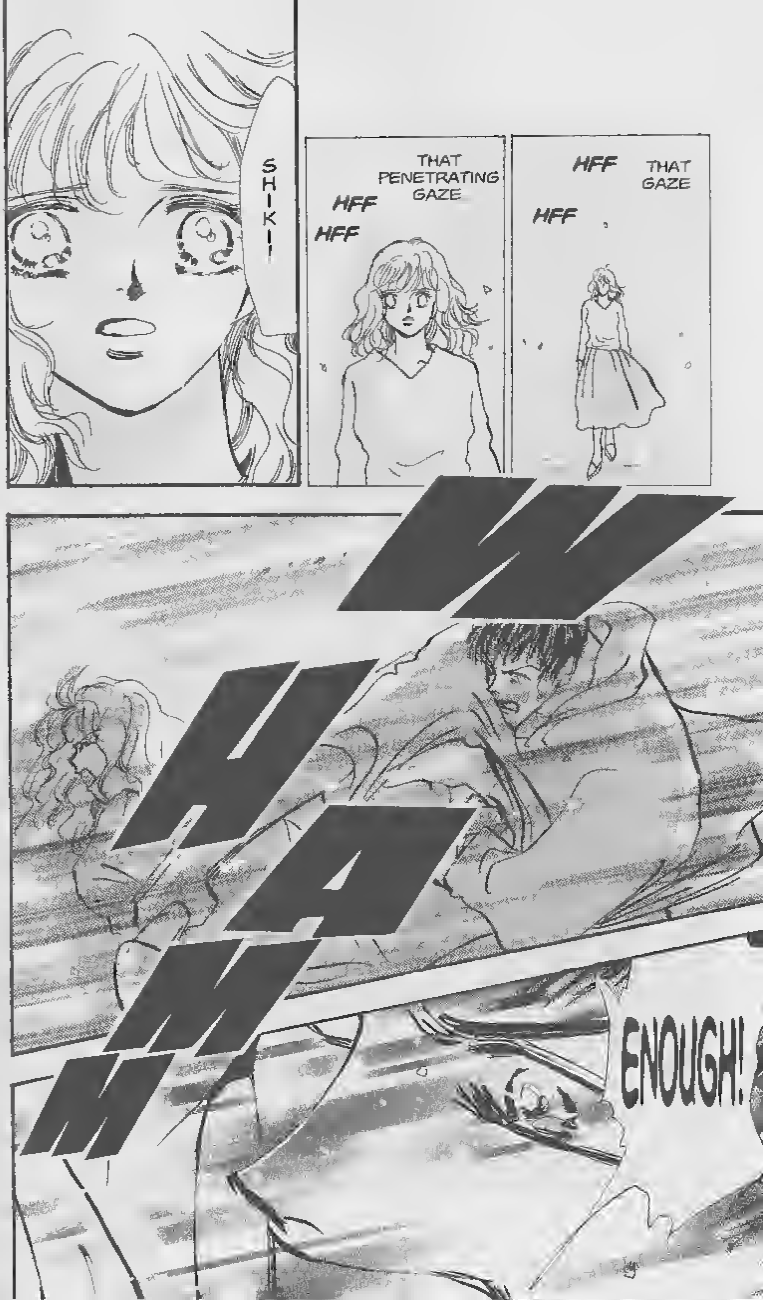
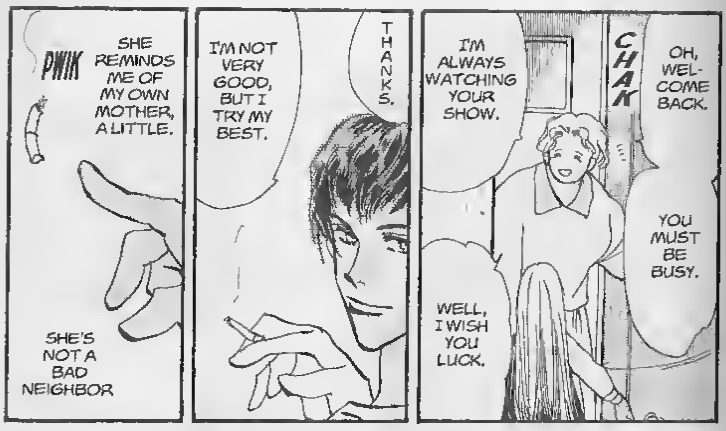
AHHHHH!

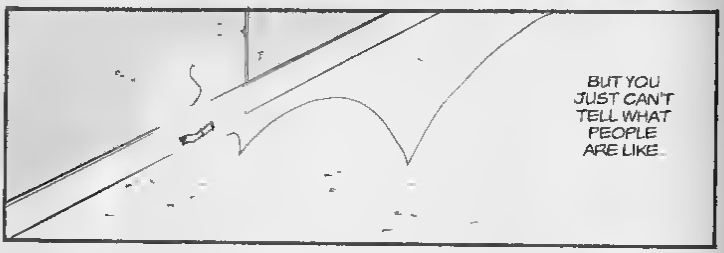
SHHHH
BAM!
ARHHH!
BOOT
AHHHH!
HFF
HFF
HFF
SCUTTLE
HFF
HFF
HFF


SHIKI—
THAT PENETRATING GAZE
HFF
HFF
HFF
THAT GAZE
HFF
WHAMM
ENOUGH!

LEAVE ME ALONE!
PLEASE
HFF HFF
WHY DID I DO THAT?
WHAT ABOUT YOU!?
SHIKI...
WHY DID YOU DO THAT?
ISN'T THAT ENOUGH?
ISN'T IT SOMETHING TO BRAG ABOUT?
BE HAPPY THAT YOU WERE MY GIRL FOR A WHILE!
JUST GO!
IF YOU KEEP THIS UP--
I'LL HAVE YOU ARRESTED.
IT WASN'T LIKE I PROMISED ANYTHING, RIGHT?
COME ON!

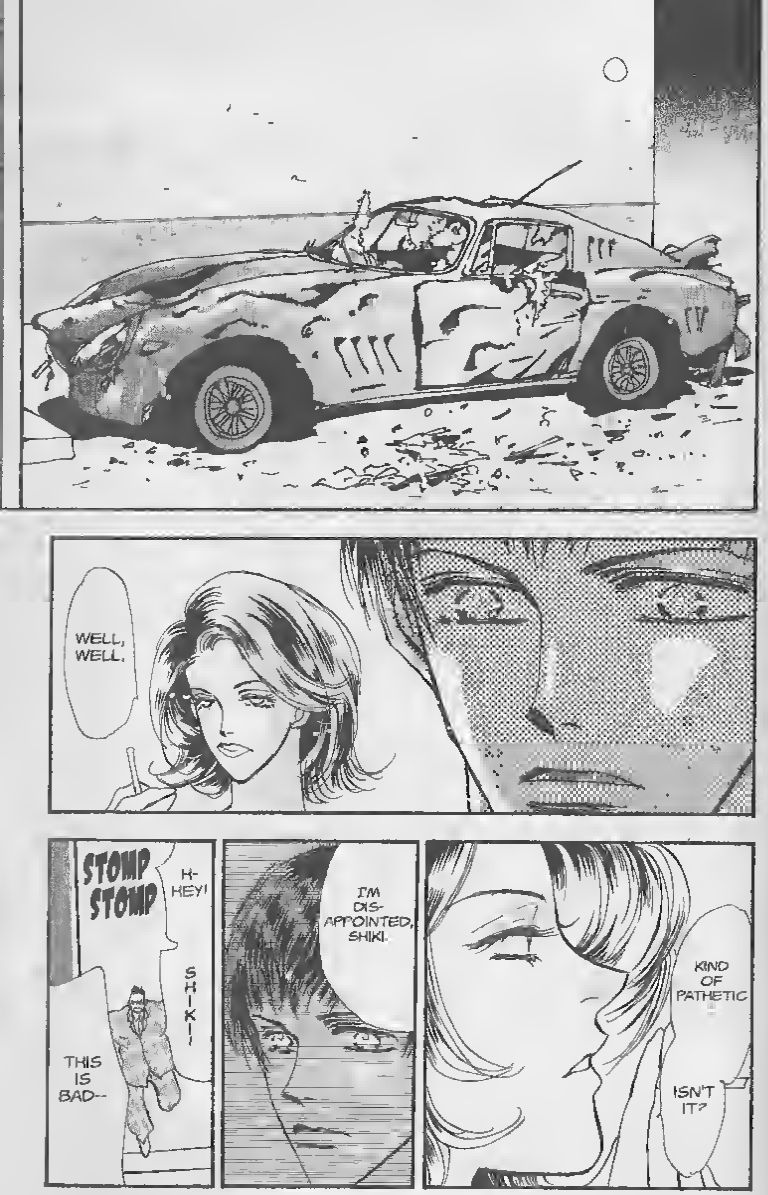
I HOPE THIS DOESN'T MAKE HER CRAZIER...
OH! HELLO.
YOUR PINKEYE'S STILL NOT CURED?
What's her name? I forget
YOUR DOLL HURT ITS EYE, TOO?
JUST LIKE YOU.


PWIK
SHE REMINDS ME OF MY OWN MOTHER, A LITTLE.
SHE'S NOT A BAD NEIGHBOR
I'M NOT VERY GOOD, BUT I TRY MY BEST.
THANKS.
I'M ALWAYS WATCHING YOUR SHOW.
WELL, I WISH YOU LUCK.
CHAK
OH, WELCOME BACK.
YOU MUST BE BUSY.

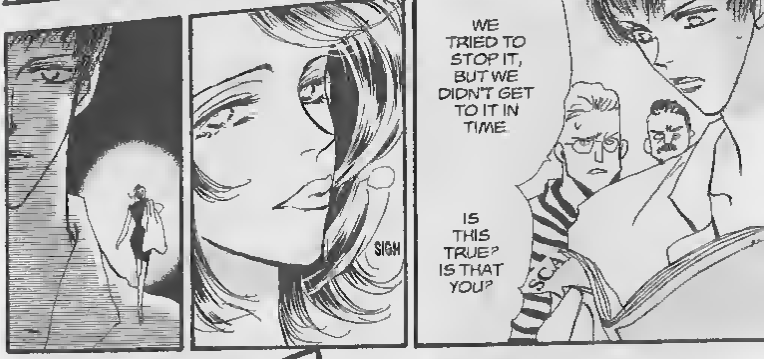

BUT YOU JUST CAN'T TELL WHAT PEOPLE ARE LIKE...

I NEVER THOUGHT UIKO WOULD BE LIKE THAT...

HEY, SHIKI
I HEAR YOU BOUGHT A NEW CAR.
YEAH, YOU WANT A RIDE?
DEPENDS ON THE MAKE.
IT'S AN OLDIE BUT IVE WANTED ONE SINCE I WAS ..
KSSSSSSH


WELL, WELL.
STOMP STOMP
H-HEY!
SHIKI!
THIS IS BAD--
I'M DIS-APPOINTED, SHIKI.
KIND OF PATHETIC
ISN'T IT?

EXCLUSIVE PHOTOS
Rising Star
Shiki Haibara Assaults Ex-Lover!!


SIGH
WE TRIED TO STOP IT, BUT WE DIDN'T GET TO IT IN TIME.
IS THIS TRUE? IS THAT YOU?

Released from Gekko!
Is He Finished?

SHE TRAPPED ME.
I CAN'T BELIEVE UIKO WOULD DO THIS..
WHAT'S THAT BURNING SMELL?
.....
?
I'M AFRAID FOR MY LIFE..?
WHAT DO I DO?
TELL THE POLICE?
BUT WHAT WOULD I TELL THEM?

AGH!
THERE'S SMOKE--
BAM BAM
IT'S MRS. YAMAZAKI FROM NEXT DOOR!
IS THERE A FIRE?
I HAVE A FIRE EXTINGUISHER!
OPEN THE DOOR!
KA-CHAK
DING DONG
BAM BAM
MR. HAIBARA! ARE YOU OKAY!?
WATER!
WATER!
NO WATER...
IT'S BEEN CUT OFF!?

HFF HFF HFF
FSSSSHHH
I HAVEN'T CHANGED THE LOCKS YET...
YEAH. I KNOW.
YOU SAID YOU WERE BEING STALKED ...
I...
I'M SO SORRY. THANK YOU SO MUCH.
MY DAUGHTER IS WAITING FOR ME.
WOULD YOU LIKE TO COME OVER AND HAVE SOME TEA?
IT'S FINE!
SHOULDN'T THIS BE REPORTED?
I'M GLAD WE GOT TO IT QUICKLY.

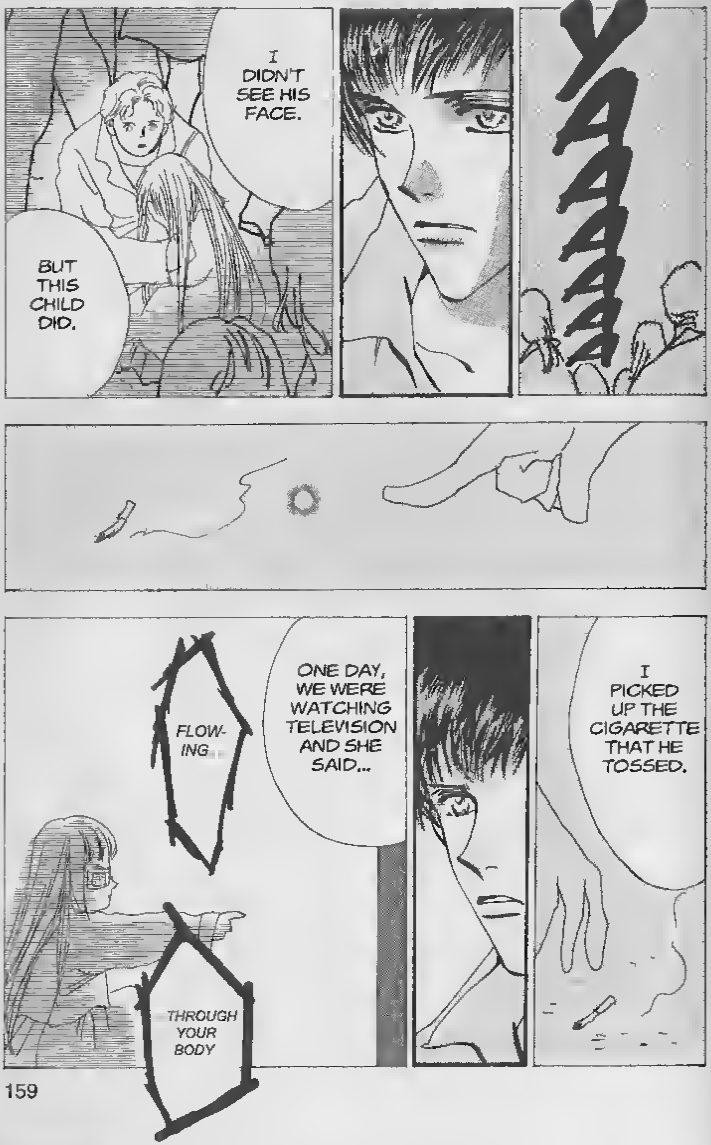
...HUH?
WHAT...?
I FEEL THAT GAZE...
IT WAS A SET-UP.
YEAH, WELL.
IT'S TOO BAD ABOUT YOUR SHOW
I DON'T BELIEVE YOU REALLY ASSAULTED ANYONE.
I TOLD THEM THAT YOU WERE A VERY NICE PERSON.
THERE WAS EVEN A REPORTER FROM THE WIDE SHOW HERE
UH THANKS
THAT GAZE...

SOMETHING IS... STRANGE...

WHAT IS THIS?
WHAT...

KLANK KLUNK
WHAT'S THIS ALL ABOUT?
UM...
HUH?
I JUST PUT SOME DRUGS IN YOUR TEA.
IT WAS ABOUT A YEAR AGO
. AT THE TRAIN STATION...
IT WAS CROWD-ED
THERE WAS A MAN SMOKING A CIGARETTE.
MY DAUGHTER AND I
WE WERE GOING TO MEET HER FATHER.

MOTHER, WHAT'S MY FATHER LIKE?
YOU'LL MEET HIM SOON.
WAIT LONG ?
YOU'RE LATE!


I DIDN'T SEE HIS FACE.
BUT THIS CHILD DID.
YAAAA
I PICKED UP THE CIGARETTE THAT HE TOSSED.
ONE DAY, WE WERE WATCHING TELEVISION AND SHE SAID...
FLOW-ING...
THROUGH YOUR BODY

THAT'S HIM.
AQUA WATER.
I DIDN'T KNOW...
I DON'T REMEMBER DOING IT!
SUCH A TINY FIRE.
BUT SO HOT.
I TESTED IT. IT EVEN MELTED THE EYE OF A DOLL.
HACK HACK
...THAT'S SO GOOD ABOUT THESE THINGS?
WHAT IS IT.
FLIK

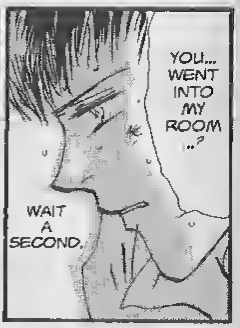
UH!
SST
AAAAAAAAAAHHHH
IT IS HOT.
ISN'T IT?
MY GIRL, SHE'S PRETTY, ISN'T SHE?
SHE WAS STUDYING DRAMA
I BELIEVE SHE COULD HAVE BEEN A BEAUTIFUL ACTRESS.
I WAS ONCE AN ACTRESS MYSELF
THEN I HAD AN AFFAIR WITH AN ACTOR.
AND HAD THIS CHILD.
I RAISED HER ALONE
OTHER PEOPLE TOLD ME NOT TO HAVE HER.

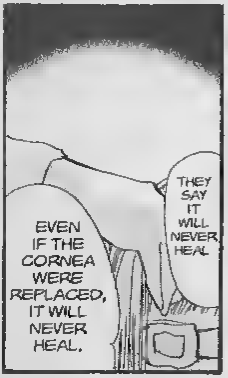
THIS CHILD IS MY ONLY DREAM.
..ONCE SHE BECAME AN ACTRESS...
ONCE HE AND THE WORLD SAW THIS DARLING CHILD..
..THEN WE COULD START OVER.
BUT..
I THOUGHT I COULD START OVER.
IF I HAD A BEAUTIFUL GIRL.
..AND COPIED THE KEYS TO YOUR DOOR.
BEFORE CONSTRUCTION FINISHED, I SNUCK IN...
I ARRANGED IT SO I'D BE ABLE TO LIVE NEXT TO YOU.
I STILL HAD THE ONE FROM THE TRAIN STATION.
I CHECKED THE BUTTS TO BE SURE THEY MATCHED.
I WENT INTO YOUR ROOM...
COLLECTED HAIR AND CIGARETTE BUTTS.

IT WAS YOU AT THE STATION, WASN'T IT?
THEY DID

MEN ARE ALL ALIKE.
ALL OF IT...
YOU JUST TOSS WOMEN ASIDE.

THE HARASS-MENT...
WAIT !
YOU MEAN...
ALL OF IT...


YOU... WENT INTO MY ROOM ..?
WAIT A SECOND.


THEY SAY IT WILL NEVER HEAL
EVEN IF THE CORNEA WERE REPLACED, IT WILL NEVER HEAL.

UIKO DIDN'T DO IT!

IF...
YOU HAVE A HEALTHY EYE...
CAN'T THEY?
YOU NEVER KNOW.
IF YOU HAVE AN EYE...
SOMEWHERE, SOMEONE CAN FIX IT.
CAN'T THEY?
BUT SOMEWHERE..
..AMERICA, PERHAPS, SOMEWHERE IT CAN BE FIXED.
IT IS YOUR FAULT, AFTER ALL.
YOU'LL GIVE IT TO ME, WON'T YOU?
YOU'LL LET ME HAVE IT?
WON'T YOU?

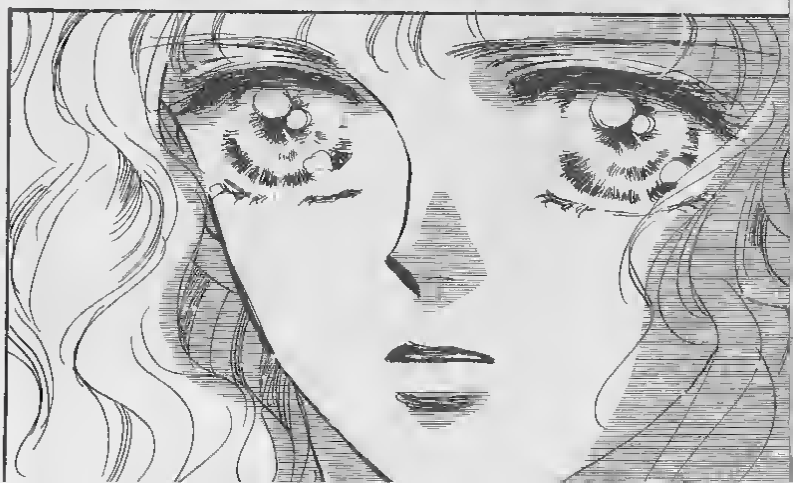
SHIKI?
6
6
TAK
TAK
TAK
DING
DONG
DID SOMETHING HAPPEN?
NOK
NOK
EXCUSE ME!
UIKO!
DO YOU KNOW MR. HAIBARA NEXT DOOR?
KNOK
KNOK
UIKO!
I'M IN HERE! HELP ME!!
UIKOOO!!

UIKO!
CHAK
WHA...?
YOU WERE RIGHT ABOUT THE CIGARETTES, UIKO!
I WAS WRONG! HELP ME!
YOU WERE RIGHT!
SHE'S TOTALLY NUTS!
THIS WOMAN IS OUT OF HER MIND!
YOU GOTTA SAVE ME!

UIKO, I LOVE YOU!
PLEASE! HELP ME!
HELP ME!
I DON'T CARE WHAT HAPPENS TO HIM.
I HAVE NO LOVE LEFT FOR THIS MAN.
RIGHT! THAT'S GOOD!
GET OUT SO YOU CAN CALL THE POLICE!
CHAK
UIKO!

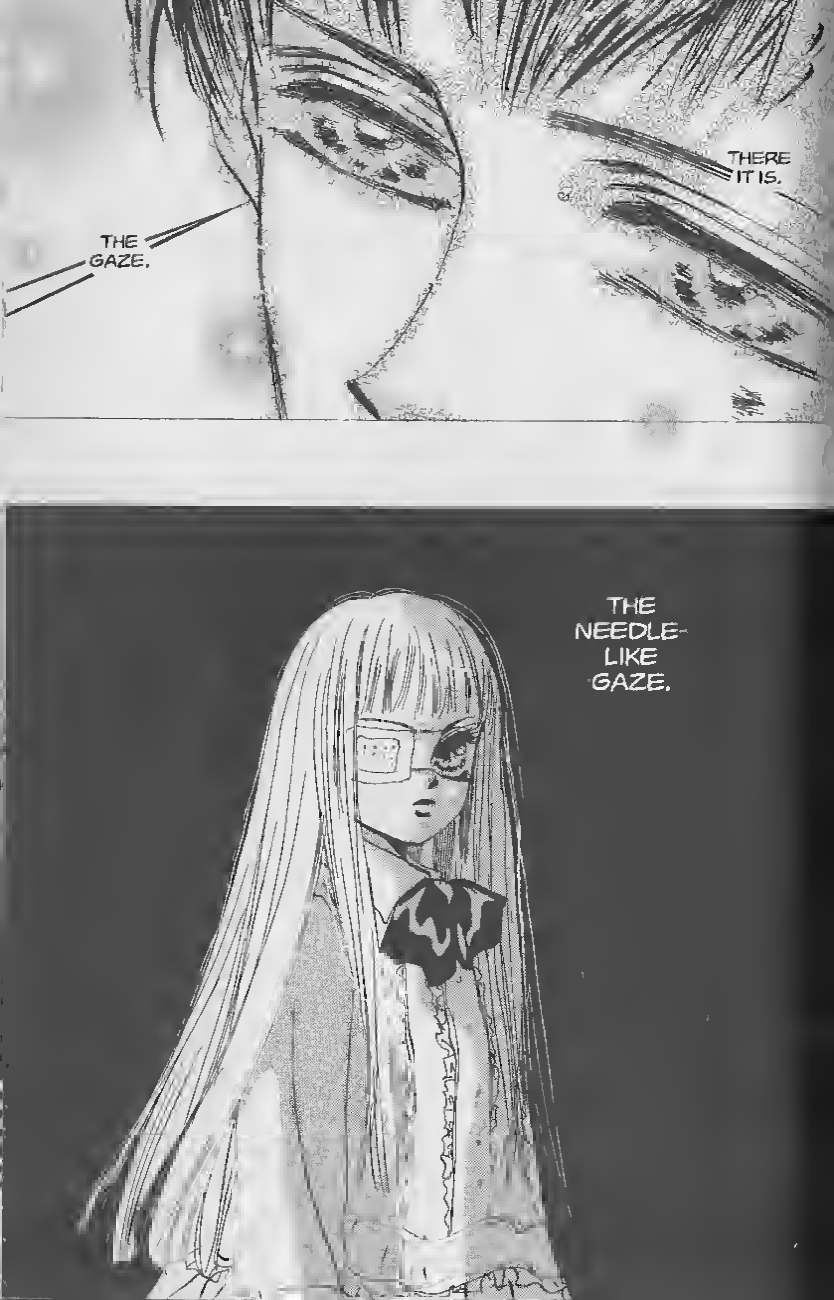
HURRY AND CALL THEM!
HURRY!

POLICE
BRIDGE STATION



CHI
CHRI...
SWIII

WELL... THAT SAVED ME SOME TROUBLE.
HELP WILL COME.
UIKO IS CALLING FOR HELP.
YOUR EYE.
YOU'LL GIVE IT TO ME, WON'T YOU?

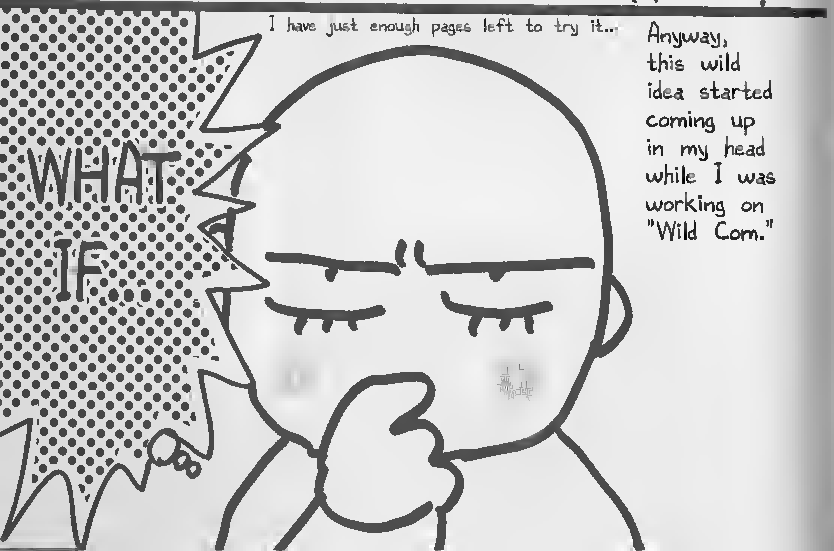

THERE IT IS.
THE GAZE.
THE NEEDLE-LIKE GAZE.

Bonus

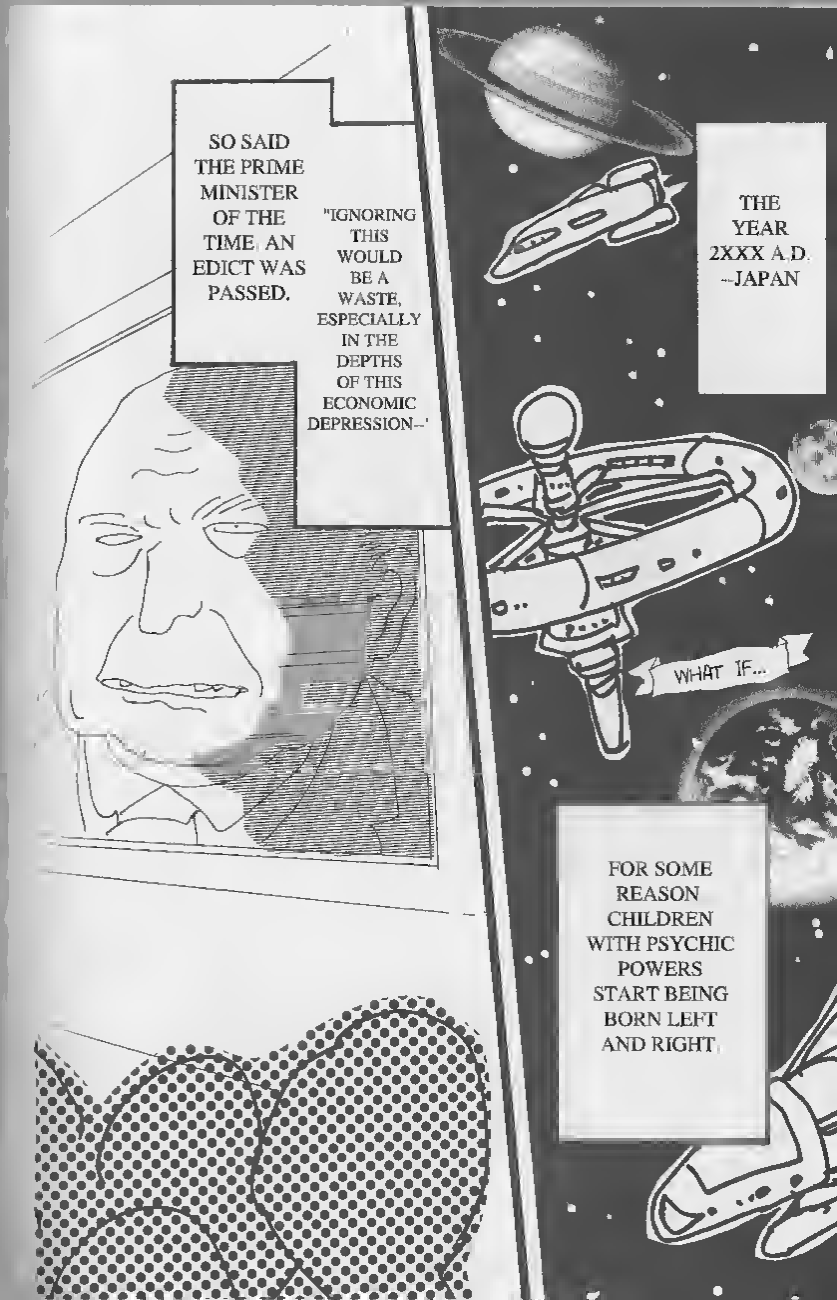
Tam-Tam Time

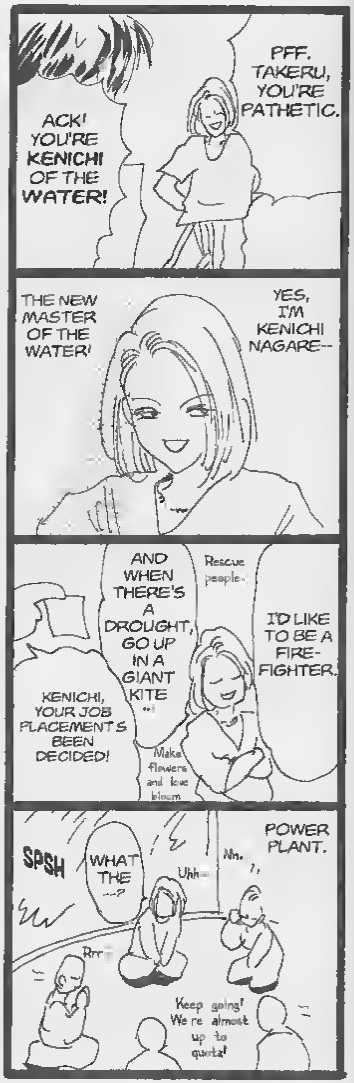
The Tam-Tam Disjointed Theatre

HELLO! HOW ARE YOU?
THIS BOOK HAS ENDED UP BEING THREE STORIES! THANKS SO MUCH FOR READING THEM!!
I PUT A LOT OF DIFFERENT IDEAS IN THIS COLLECTION LET ME KNOW WHAT YOU THINK ABOUT THEM!
I'm doing well. Eating a lot of good food (which doesn't mean good for me). I have to say, that eating good food with someone you really like has to be the best thing ever. You agree?
WELL, UNTIL NEXT TIME...
I hope you read my next comic!
TAMU.

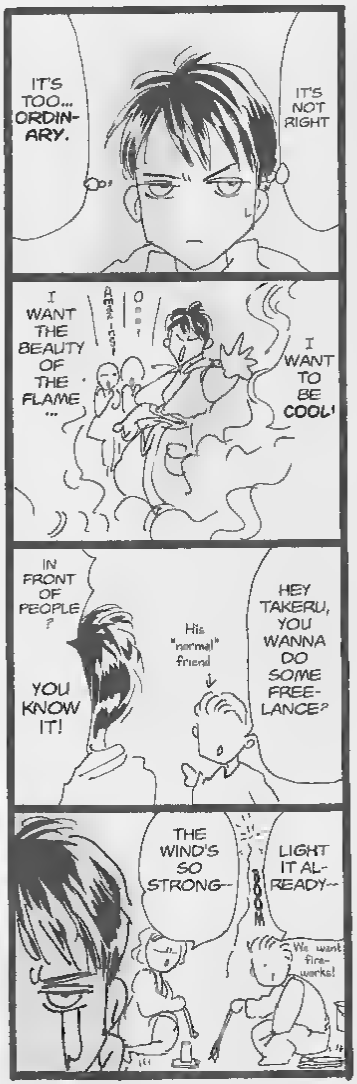

I have just enough pages left to try it...
Anyway, this wild idea started coming up in my head while I was working on "Wild Com."
WHAT IF

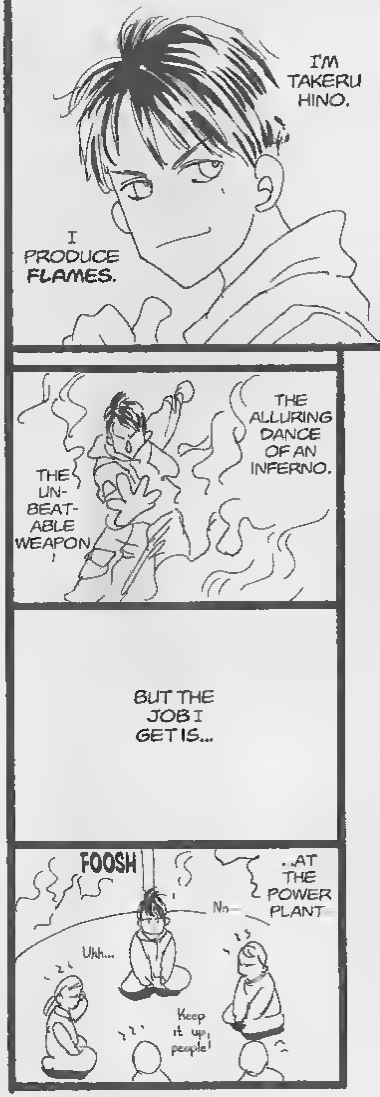
IF THAT HAPPENED ?
THOSE WITH PSYCHIC POWERS SHOULDN'T LET THEIR TALENTS GO TO WASTE, BUT SHOULD APPLY THEM TO THE BETTERMENT OF SOCIETY.
IT WILL BE MANDATORY TO FIND AN AGENCY THAT WILL BEST SUIT YOUR POWERS. ONCE WE DO, YOU'LL WORK THERE!

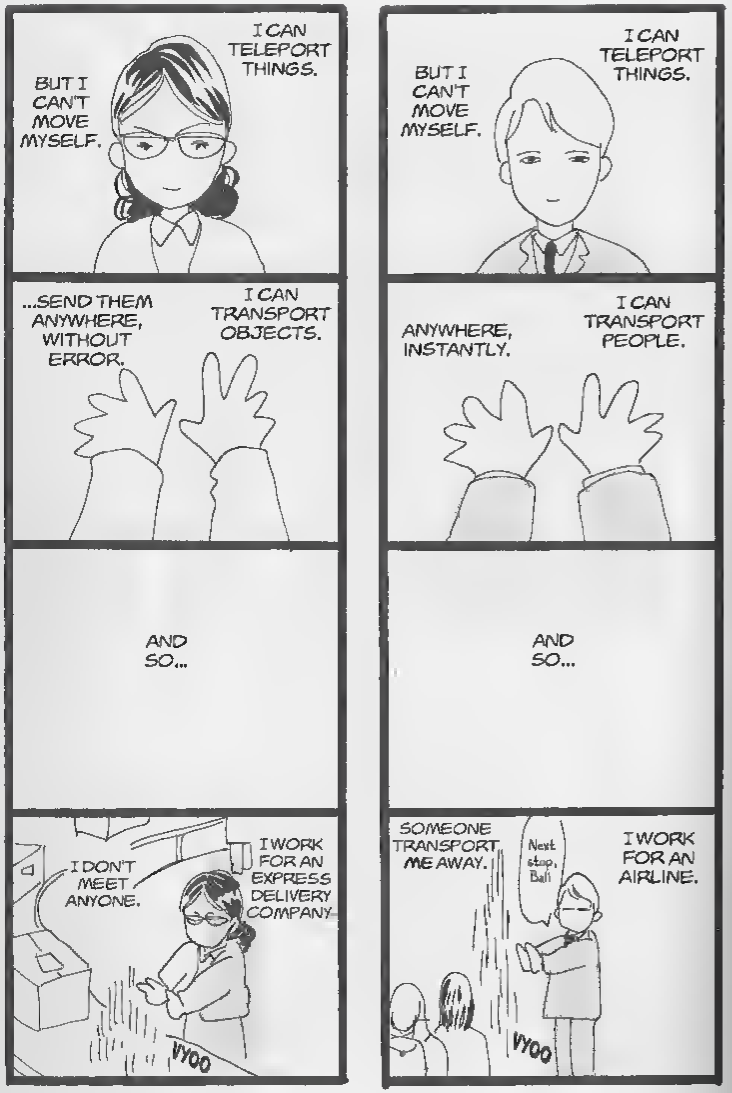

SO SAID THE PRIME MINISTER OF THE TIME, AN EDICT WAS PASSED.
"IGNORING THIS WOULD BE A WASTE, ESPECIALLY IN THE DEPTHS OF THIS ECONOMIC DEPRESSION--'
THE YEAR 2XXX A.D. --JAPAN
WHAT IF...
FOR SOME REASON CHILDREN WITH PSYCHIC POWERS START BEING BORN LEFT AND RIGHT.

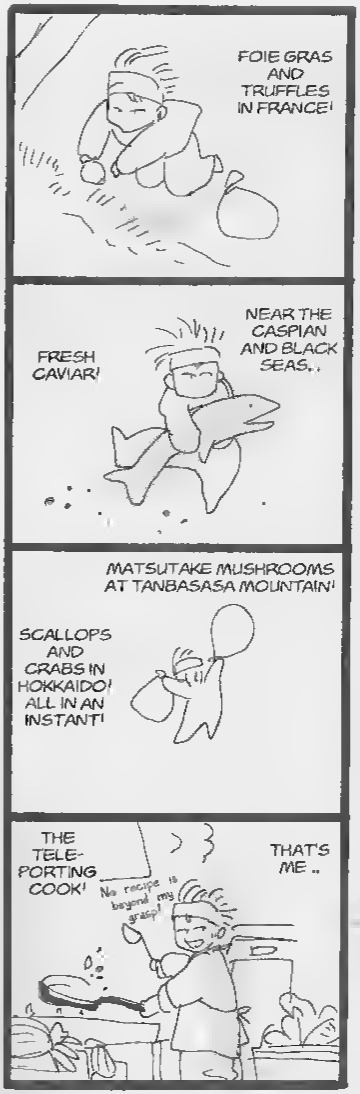

PFF. TAKERU, YOU'RE PATHETIC.
ACK! YOU'RE KENICHI OF THE WATER!
THE NEW MASTER OF THE WATER!
YES, I'M KENICHI NAGARE--
AND WHEN THERE'S A DROUGHT, GO UP IN A GIANT KITE ..!
Rescue people.
I'D LIKE TO BE A FIRE-FIGHTER.
KENICHI, YOUR JOB PLACEMENT'S BEEN DECIDED!
Make flowers and love bloom
SPSH
WHAT THE ...?
Uhh—
Nn.
POWER PLANT.
Rrr—
Keep going! We're almost up to quota!

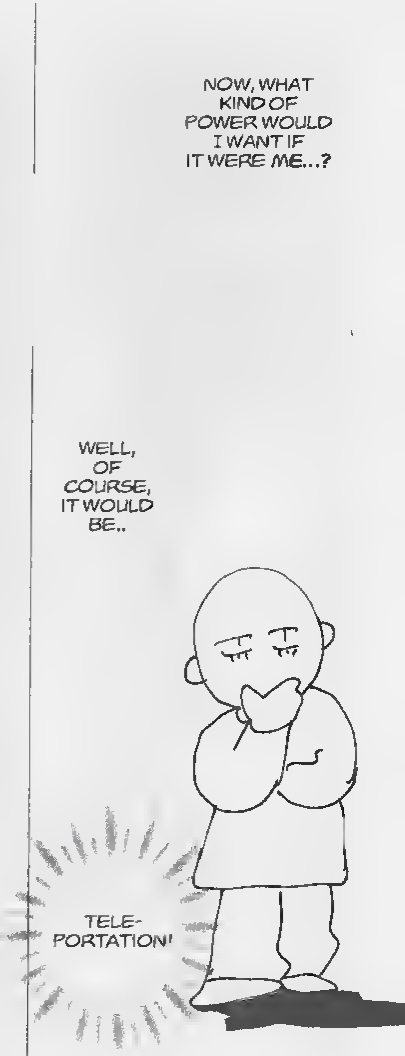
Apologies to the people who work at power plants





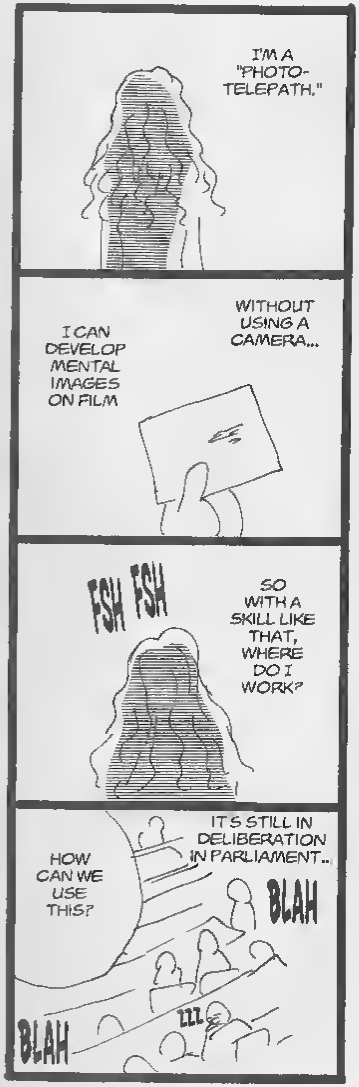

I CAN TELEPORT THINGS.
BUT I CAN'T MOVE MYSELF.
...SEND THEM ANYWHERE, WITHOUT ERROR.
I CAN TRANSPORT OBJECTS.
AND SO...
I DON'T MEET ANYONE.
I WORK FOR AN EXPRESS DELIVERY COMPANY
VVOO
I CAN TELEPORT THINGS.
BUT I CAN'T MOVE MYSELF.
ANYWHERE, INSTANTLY.
I CAN TRANSPORT PEOPLE.
AND SO...
SOMEONE TRANSPORT ME AWAY.
Next stop, Bali
I WORK FOR AN AIRLINE.
VVOO


FOIE GRAS AND TRUFFLES IN FRANCE!
FRESH CAVIAR!
NEAR THE CASPIAN AND BLACK SEAS..
MATSUTAKE MUSHROOMS AT TANBASASA MOUNTAIN!
SCALLOPS AND CRABS IN HOKKAIDO! ALL IN AN INSTANT!
THE TELE-PORTING COOK!
No recipe is beyond my grasp!
THAT'S ME..


NOW, WHAT KIND OF POWER WOULD I WANT IF IT WERE ME...?
WELL, OF COURSE, IT WOULD BE..
TELE-PORTATION!

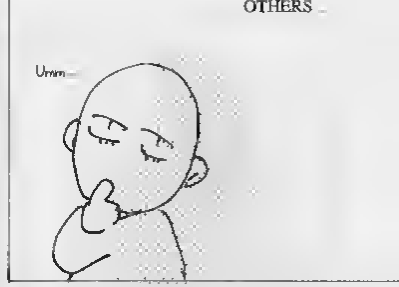
I'M DOCTOR MINAMOTO.
I HAVE THE ABILITY TO HEAL INJURIES AND ILLNESSES WITHOUT TOUCHING A PATIENT.
IT'S OKAY. I'LL HEAL IT RIGHT AWAY!
NATURALLY...
I'M A DOCTOR.
Hmm..
Hmm..
Hahh still
I AM THE PSYCHIC HEALER, DOCTOR MINAMOTO.
Hmm..
Hmm..
A "NORMAL" DOCTOR
MY RIVAL, DOCTOR ZAIZEN!
YOU'RE A FRAUD!
SLAP
THAT SNEERING ZAIZEN!
MY PATIENT!
MY RIVAL, ZAIZEN!
JUST BECAUSE YOU CAN CUT, DOESN'T MEAN IT'S RIGHT.
MEDICINE MUST BE BASED ON SCIENCE!
WHEREVER I AM, THERE HE IS.

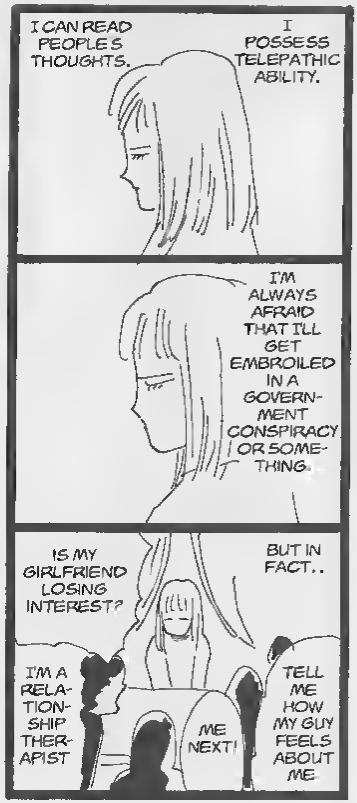
HIS RIVAL, ZAIZEN.
He likes dogs.
He likes cats.
PSYCHIC HEALER DR MINAMOTO!
RADIOLOGIST SAYOKO!
AND WATCHING THEM IS.
DR ZAIZEN HAS BLUE, FLOWER-PRINT BOXERS
DR. MINAMOTO'S WEARING SKINTIGHT BLACK UNDERWEAR TODAY
A WASTE OF POWER
Huh?
MAYBE I SHOULD SEE WHAT'S BEHIND THAT--.
FOCUS!
HIS RIVAL, ZAIZEN!
PSYCHIC HEALER DR. MINAMOTO!
AND ONE WOMAN IS WATCHING THEIR RIVALRY FROM THE SHADOWS...
IT'S RADIOLOGIST SAYOKO!
OH! THERE'S A WHITE SPOT IN YOUR LUNG!
SHE HAS X-RAY VISION.


I'M A "PHOTO-TELEPATH."
I CAN DEVELOP MENTAL IMAGES ON FILM
WITHOUT USING A CAMERA...
FSH FSH
SO WITH A SKILL LIKE THAT, WHERE DO I WORK?
HOW CAN WE USE THIS?
IT'S STILL IN DELIBERATION IN PARLIAMENT..
BLAH
BLAH
ZZZ

I'M SHUN, THE TIME TRAVELER.
I CAN ONLY GO TO THE PAST.
AND ONLY IN SMALL INCREMENTS.
FINDING THE TRUTHS BURIED IN HISTORY!
Go! Go!
BUT I SEEK THE ULTIMATE GOAL!
EVERY DAY IS A JOURNEY.
I'VE PUBLISHED 2 BOOKS (OUT OF PRINT).
AND SO, I'M A RESEARCH HISTORIAN.
They came, they saw, they disappeared.
VERY ORDINARY

I CAN MOVE OBJECTS BY PSYCHOKINESIS.
SAVING PEOPLE WITH MY THOUGHTS!
SO I WORK AT CONSTRUCTION SITES AND ACCIDENT SCENES.
AT LEAST, THAT'S WHAT I WISH.
THANKS! IT STOPPED!
IN REALITY
I'M DOING TOW-TRUCK WORK.
I guess this is saving people, too.


OTHERS
Umm...


I CAN READ PEOPLE'S THOUGHTS.
I POSSESS TELEPATHIC ABILITY.
I'M ALWAYS AFRAID THAT I'LL GET EMBROILED IN A GOVERNMENT CONSPIRACY OR SOMETHING.
IS MY GIRLFRIEND LOSING INTEREST?
BUT IN FACT..
I'M A RELATIONSHIP THERAPIST
ME NEXT!
TELL ME HOW MY GUY FEELS ABOUT ME

MAYBE THE TRUE 'SUPER POWERS BELONG TO PEOPLE LIKE THAT

I PRODUCE FLAMES.

I'M TAKERU HINO.

COOL, AIN'T IT?

KRAKL KRMBL

WHOA! EARTH-QUAKE!

Oh!

Did you fall?

TMP TMP TMP TMP

FIRE!

DO SOME-THING!

Yup, yup

I'M LOOKING FORWARD TO THE NEXT OLYMPICS.

PYUN!

RIGHT MAN IN THE RIGHT PLACE.

AAAGH!

FOOM

FOOM

Broadjump champion

BUT MAYBE THIS 'POWERS" THING IS ALL ABOUT PERSPECTIVE.

CAN THERE BE ANY GREATER POWER?

I HAVE THE ABILITY OF PRECOG-NITION.

BUT I'D LOVE TO PREDICT THE WEATHER, TOO! ♡

WHAT WILL HAPPEN TO THE EARTH.. WHEN THE PRIME MINISTER WILL RETIRE... I KNOW IT ALL.

GRAB!

GOVERN-MENTS DON'T WANT THESE THINGS KNOWN...

HMPH!

LOOKS LIKE I GOT STUCK ON A BLACKLIST.

THAT MY BODY SOMETIMES TURNS INVISIBLE.

AT SOME POINT, I REALIZED.

I COULD BE THE INVINCIBLE SPY!

MILITARY AND INTELLIGENCE ANGENCIES ALL SCOUTED ME OUT.

EXCEPT ...

I NEVER KNOW WHEN IT'S GOING TO STOP WORKING.

THERE'S ONE PROBLEM.

. SO, I'M NOW SOME-WHERE IN A VERY COLD COUNTRY.

ABOUT "WILD COM."

I've always had this question, watching shows about psychics on TV. Can they do something that's useful for everyday life? Do they think of trying to benefit other people, instead of being a curiosity? --and so on and so forth.

And so that's why I wrote this series. Not a "chased by the government" story, or a "combat" story, but one just about psychic talents.

I'd be happy to hear that you enjoyed it.

I could probably write a bunch of these stories. I've gotten a lot of questions about whether I'm going to write a continuation, but I probably won't. (A little disappointed.)

When I was younger, I was always being asked, "Why didn't you put everything into it?" And "You should be able to do better if you try." I'd always answer, "How would you know?"...while secretly knowing that I hadn't put in my best effort. I was lazy. (With a lot of different things--homework, athletics, art.)

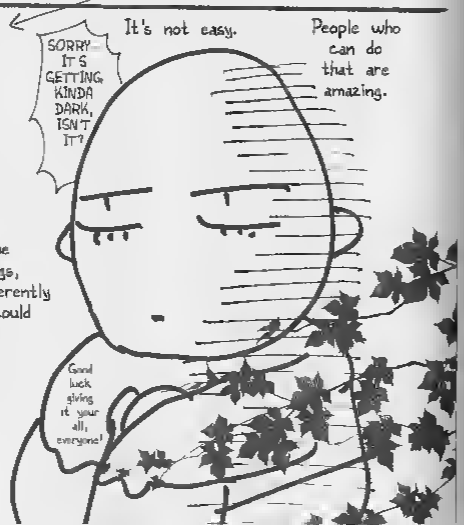
Even now, I wonder: How much IS my "best effort"?

I often hear musicians and such saying "I put everything I had into creating it." So, I ask myself, "Exactly how much IS that?" "Do you really know yourself?"

I'm always challenging myself to the physical limit. But with other things, I do wonder if I had done it differently here, or changed that, whether I could have done better.

I wonder what it would take to write with everything I have. (Well, not that I'm not giving my all now...)

So that's what I'm thinking about these days.



AND SO--!

I apologize to all the real psychics.

And so on, and so on, until next time! Thank you for everything!

I DON'T KNOW WHEN THE NEXT ONE IS COMING OUT, BUT I STILL HAVE AT LEAST TWO MORE BOOKS WORTH. SO IF IT GETS PUBLISHED, PLEASE READ IT!

And don't forget to keep reading Basara!

Hey, I've switched to a different monthly comic in Japan!

It was quite a challenge for me, personally, so I hope it's something you can track down! I'd be honored if you'd read it.

I had tripe stew recently. It was my first time. (I'd been avoiding it.) It was really good! It's dumb to dislike things without trying them. I mean, really, it was great! Sorry for the food obsession...

Anyway, we're about to enter winter, so I hope everyone takes care of themselves! Good luck to all my fans!! I hope lots of great things happen for you! And eat great things! With someone you love, if you can! Until next time!

— 田村由美
Yumi Tamura

Lana's Billy passed away. (He was 15) I really loved him.

ABOUT "THE BEASTS OF JUNE."

I wanted to go in a more "physical" direction than my usual.

"Physical," like... romantic.

"Yan is from "Yanma". I guess he's also a dragonfly. (Yanma is a type of dragonfly in Japan.)

ABOUT "THE EYE OF THE NEEDLE."

Every so often, I get the itch to write horror, and that's what I did here. This one I've been wanting to write for a really long time. I'm so happy to have finally written it.

There was a movie once with the same name, but it has nothing to do with this.

Chucking a cigarette butt. I think if someone I loved did that, even if he were perfect, my love for him would cool.

I hope you'll all be careful. I'm going to be careful, too. (Not that I smoke.)

The doll's creepy, isn't it...?